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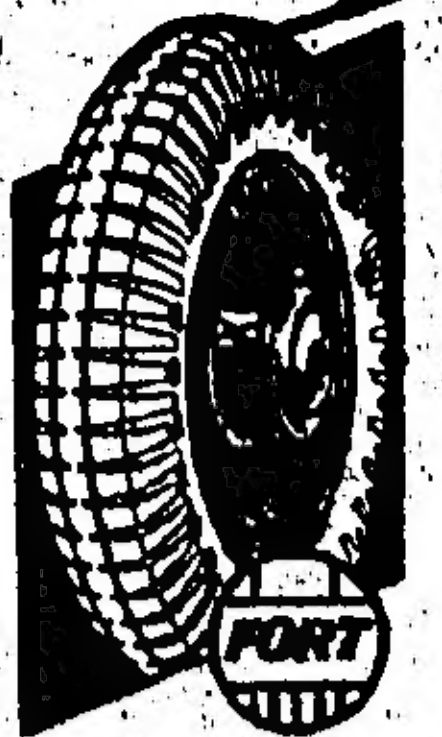
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MISS CLAIR MUNRO DISAPPOINTED

Only An "Also Ran"
in Calcutta Sweep.

"NOTHING TO SAY"

Is Quite Satisfied.

"Of course I am disappointed. Portofino did not win, but I am satisfied with having drawn a horse." Miss Clair Munro remarked to a "China Mail" representative this morning.

"I have nothing to say, but hope for better luck next time," she replied when asked what her feeling were when she learned of the result of the race which might have brought her a fortune.

With all eyes centred on the Epsom Derby, the world's greatest classic horse race, Miss Munro's nonchalance was remarkable.

At 8 o'clock this morning she said she was still unaware of the result of the race, and read with great interest the description of the running, expressing surprise when she read that Portofino put up a fine performance, leading the field until after passing Tattenham Corner.

Miss Munro, a teacher at the Central British School, was holder of a half share of the ticket on Portofino, the other half being held by Mrs. R. A. Rodgers, who resides at No. 531, The Peak.

COLONY'S PO PIU HEADQUARTERS

Raided by
Police.

OVER 8,000 TICKETS
SEIZED

Three Men
Fined.

That he was fairly convinced that the third floor of 4 Tam Wo Lane, in close proximity to the Central Police Station, was the Hong Kong headquarters for po piu lotteries, was a remark made by Inspector F. W. Shaftain in the Central Police Court this morning when he charged three unemployed men Wong Tim, Tse Yee, and So Chi—before Mr. Wynne-Jones, with keeping a po piu den at the premises, possession of over 8,000 tickets, and with printing and writing the tickets.

First and second defendants pleaded guilty to all three charges, while the third denied the first charge but admitted the other two. The pleas were accepted by Inspector Shaftain.

When the Police raided the place, he stated, they found the three defendants in cubicles busily engaged in writing out tickets. The printing apparatus was set on one side, ready for use.

The Magistrate—You consider this is the headquarters of Hong Kong po piu lotteries?

Inspector Shaftain—I gather that that is so.

Replying to his Worship, the Inspector said that the prices of the tickets ranged from 50 cents to one dollar. He added that these po piu premises were never at one place for more than two months, before they moved elsewhere.

His Worship imposed the following fine. First and second defendants (a) and (b) \$500 or five months' hard labour on each, concurrent. On (c) \$100 or one month each, consecutive. Third defendant on (b) \$500 or five months' hard labour, and on (c) \$100 or one month's consecutive.

CHINESE SAPPER MISSING

A Police report to-day states that Sapper (Law Yung) (81), attached to the 40th Company, Royal Engineers, has been missing since May 23.

2 CONSULAR OFFICIALS FOR CHINA

WORKING AT FOREIGN
OFFICE IN LONDON

SPECIALLY ATTACHED

"OUT OF TOUCH WITH FEELING OF
BRITISH RESIDENTS."

(Special to the "China Mail.")

London, To-day.

Two members of His Majesty's Consular Service in China are at present working at the Foreign Office in London, stated Sir John Simon, Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in reply to a question in the House of Commons by Major-General Sir Alfred Knox.

One has been specially attached since October, 1925, in connection with various negotiations with the Chinese Government while the other has been attached in accordance with a long-standing practice. The second-mentioned had worked at the Foreign Office for 20 months, Sir John explained.

Sir Alfred Knox suggested that it would be advisable to send the first-mentioned out to China in order to gain first-hand knowledge of the present conditions in China. The Foreign Secretary replied that this official was very well-informed, and added: "We shall make the best arrangements for the Service in the public interest."

Sir Alfred Knox suggested that this official was out of touch with the feeling of British residents in China.

General Knox's Career. Major-General Sir Alfred William Fortescue Knox, K.C.B., C.B., C.M.G., was born on October 30, 1870, being the son of the late Vessy Knox, of Shinnah Co., Down, Ireland. He was educated at St. Columba's College, Rathfarnham, and later went to Royal Military College, Sandhurst.

During the Great War he was attached to the Russian Forces from 1914 to 1917, and was Chief of the British Military Mission to Siberia, 1918-20, retiring in 1920.

He was created K.C.B. in 1919, and C.B. in 1917, receiving

the C.M.G. in 1918.

Sir Alfred holds the Russian honours of Orders of St. Stanislaus (1st Class), St. Vladimir (3rd Class), and St. Anne (2nd Class), also the Commander of Legion of Honour and Croix de Guerre with Palms of France, Order of the Crown of Italy, Croix de Guerre of Czechoslovakia and Japanese Order of Rising Sun (2nd Class).

He has been the Conservative Member for Wycombe Division of Buckinghamshire since 1924.

In 1922 he wrote a publication, "With the Russian Army, 1914-1917."

BOMBAY REPORTED QUIETER

Effects of Recent Riots
Are Now Passing.

MILLS WORKING

Rugby, Yesterday.

The latest information from Bombay indicates that the situation there is much quieter.

The mills are now working—British Wireless Service.

Dispute Over An Idol.

The recent communal riots in Bombay, caused the business life of the city to be generally paralysed.

On May 24 British Wireless reported that although feeling was running high after the riots the general position in the city was improving.

All the mills were then reported to be working although some with reduced numbers. Retail shops had also opened again, but the wholesale shops and markets were still closed owing to a dispute over an idol.

Fresh news of a disquieting nature was cabled by Reuter on May 23 stating that three were killed, 55 injured, and 90 arrested as the result of more riots in Bombay.

On that occasion five attempts at incendiarism were made, three of them at places of worship.

CLOSING OF PEAK SCHOOL

Owing to Sickness
Among Students.

MEETING OF EDUCATION
BOARD

The 34th Meeting of the Board of Education was held yesterday afternoon.

Members present were:—Director of Education (Mr. G. P. de Martin, M.A., Chairman), Inspector of English Schools (Mr. A. R. Sutherland, M.A.), Inspector of Vernacular Schools (Mr. Y. P. Law, B.A.), Chev. J. M. Alves, Mr. A. el Arculli, Rev. Fr. Byrne, S.J., Ph.D., Capt. P. S. Cannon, M.A., A.E.C., Rev. F. Short, Very Rev. A. D. Swann, M.A., D.S.C., Hon. Mr. S. W. Tso, O.B.E., LL.D., Mr. H. K. Woo.

The Chairman congratulated Mr. Arculli on his recovery from illness and expressed the pleasure of the Members of the Board at seeing him again on his seat.

The Chairman announced that the Peak School was temporarily closed owing to sickness among the children.

The Report of the Medical Officers for Schools for March and April was laid on the table.

The 1932 Estimates for the Education Department were brought up and considered by the Board, which recommended their adoption by unanimous vote.

TOM WALLS WINS THE DERBY

Stage Favourite in
High Spirits.

ORWELL AT 5-4 FINISHES
9TH OUT OF 21

Royal Dancer.
Fourth.

London, Yesterday.

Tom Walls, the famous stage comedian who has recently appeared on the screen in company with his old partner, Ralph Lynn and Yvonne Arnaud, was in high spirits when April Fifth came tearing down the straight to win for him his first Derby.

Tom Walls's Triumph. The race for the Derby Stakes was run at Epsom Downs in perfect weather in the presence of an immense crowd.

Their Majesties the King and Queen, and the Prince of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of York, the Duke of Gloucester, Prince George, the Princess Royal, and Lord Harewood watched the race from the Royal Stand.

Orwell started as favourite. Owing to heavy backing his price shortened to 5 to 4 before the race, and his defeat caused a great surprise. Twenty-one horses ran.

Royal Dancer Fourth. The result was a triumph for Tom Walls, the stage and the screen comedian, whose April Fifth (100 to 6) came in first, with H.H. the Aga Khan's Dastur (18 to 1) second, and Lord Rosebery's Miracle (100 to 9) third.

Royal Dancer was fourth and Orwell ninth.—British Wireless Service.

H.H. the Aga Khan, whose horse Dastur came second, last won the Derby in 1920 when Harry Wragg brought Blenheim home at 18-1. This year he had a double chance, but Steve Donoghue found Cindausi not up to the mark.

Lord Rosebery's Miracle was his hope of winning his fourth Derby. His Ladas won in 1924 with J. Watts up at 2-9, and in the following year S. Loates won on Sir Visto at 9-1. His most recent success was in 1905 when D. Maher finished first on Cicero at 4-11.

TYPHOON NEARING COLONY

No. 3 Signal Hoisted
This Morning.

NEARLY AN INCH OF
RAIN FALLS IN AN HOUR

No. 3 Typhoon Signal was hoisted at 11.25 this morning, indicating that a strong wind with squalls may possibly occur from the South East.

The latest report from the Royal Observatory states that the typhoon is now about 200 miles S.E. of Hong Kong, moving W.N.W. but does not appear to be of a large area.

A sharp thunderstorm occurred at 11.30 this morning lasting for one hour, during which time 0.37 inch of rain fell.

Forecast:—East winds, fresh; cloudy; rain.

MAY'S RAINFALL.

Record at Botanic
Gardens.

Date	Inch.
May 16	2.9
17	1.2
18	0.1
19	1.4
20	0.9
21	0.2
22	0.7
23	0.1
24	0.1
25	0.1
26	0.1
27	0.1
28	0.1
29	0.1
30	0.1
Total	12.2

LOCAL MAN WINS SWEEP PRIZE

Dastur Wins for "Sau
Sang" Syndicate.

NAME NOT TO BE DIVULGED

Stated to Be
Chinese.

Strictest secrecy is being observed regarding the name of the holder of ticket No. AC87407, which has drawn one of the second prizes in the Irish Hospitals Derby Sweep-stake.

The lucky holder, authoritatively stated to be a Chinese business man with interests in Hong Kong and Canton, hides his identity under the nom-de-plume of "Sau Sang," c/o Handelsbank, Hong Kong, but efforts to discover his real name have so far proved fruitless.

Enquiries at the Nederlandsche Indische Handelsbank, brought only bland smiles from the European staff, and they state definitely that the prize has not been won in their department.

The compradore of the Bank, Mr. Choa Po-yue, told a China Mail representative that the ticket had been drawn by a person not employed in the Bank, and they were not at liberty to divulge the name. It was further intimated that the winner was a client of the Bank.

There is a persistent rumour however, that the ticket is held by a member of the Bank staff.

ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Deficit on Year of
\$2,923.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals took place this morning in the Board Room of the Chamber of Commerce, the Chairman, the Hon. Dr. S. W. Tso, O.B.E., LL.D., presiding.

The report and statement of accounts for the year ended December 31, 1931, were presented, the latter showing an excess of expenditure over income of \$2,923.13 for the year 1931. Liabilities amounted to \$387,503.71, while assets including buildings, furniture and fittings, Endowment Fund and Building Fund amounted to \$380,184.91, the balance being excess of expenditure over income from the last account and for the year under review.

Expenditure for the year amounted to \$52,307.61, \$24,633.25 being shown as Salaries and Wages.

During 1931, 1,936 in-patients were dealt with, while out-patients totalled 4,511, making 12,048 visits.

The Superintendent's (Dr. R. McLean Gibson) report urges a new Nethersole Hospital on more modern lines, and as the annual income has been used so that the sick poor should receive the greatest possible benefit, no attempt has been made to obtain profits for the erection of new buildings, an appeal for funds is now being issued.

The number of in-patients dealt with during the year is the highest on record.

PASSENGER ROBBED

When he was about to disembark from the Douglas M. Hocking yesterday morning, Lo Yat Ping, a passenger on the S.S. Sui Ping, was robbed of his watch and a small sum of money.

The passenger, who was travelling from Hong Kong to Shanghai, was travelling alone, and was travelling in the first class.

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HINDENBURG GERMAN DICTATOR?

PRESIDENT TO DISSOLVE
REICHSTAG

VON PAPEN FAILS TO GAIN CENTRE
PARTY'S SUPPORT.

THE NEW MINISTRY

Berlin, Yesterday.

Owing to the Centre Party deciding to vote against the Government, President von Hindenburg will to-morrow dissolve the Reichstag and thus Germany will be ruled by President Hindenburg, General Von Schleicher and Herr Papen for some time.

President von Hindenburg has approved of Herr Von Papen's Ministry which is as follows:—

Minister of Interior, Herr Von Gayl; Minister of Defence, General Von Schleicher; Minister of National Economy, Professor Warmbold; Minister of Agriculture, Baron Von Braun; Minister of Transport, Baron Rubenach.

The remaining four will be appointed to-morrow after which the Ministry will seek a vote of confidence in the Reichstag. If the vote is refused the Reichstag will be dissolved.

WHO'S WHO IN MINISTRY.

Professor Warmbold was a Minister in Dr. Bruening's Cabinet and General von Schleicher is the Political Chief of the Defence Ministry who has effected the downfall of his former Chief, Herr Groener.

Baron Von Braun and Herr Von Gayl are Prussian landowners, the former being ex-Governor of East Prussia and the latter an ex-Officer in the Prussian Guard.

It is practically certain that Von Neurath will accept the portfolio of Foreign Affairs.—Reuter.

(Herr von Papen, who was charged by President von Hindenburg to form a "concentration" Cabinet, is Head of the Right Wing and Catholic Centre Party.)

Bruening's Fall. Following a breach with President von Hindenburg, Dr. Bruening and his Cabinet resigned, plunging Germany into a grave situation on the eve of the Lausanne Conference.

The crisis was due to the inability of the President to agree with some measures which Dr. Bruening intended to include in his emergency decree. The President was particularly opposed to the scheme to expropriate part of the big land-owners' estates, especially in East Prussia, for the redemption of State loans made to them.

Other proposals which the President objected to were connected with the reduction of pensions and doles.

The President accepted Dr. Bruening's resignation and went to a most unexpected quarter for a successor when he charged Herr von Papen, of the Right Wing, of the Centre Party to form a Cabinet.

TWO MILLION MORE TAX PAYERS

Result of New
Graduation System.

STATEMENT IN COMMONS

Rugby, Yesterday.

It is provisionally estimated by the Treasury that the recent alterations in the graduation of Income Tax renders 2,000,000 more persons chargeable to tax in the present financial year.

The Financial Secretary to the Treasury, who made this statement in the House of Commons said that according to their provisional estimates the number now actually paying tax is between 4,000,000 and 4,200,000 persons.—British Wireless Service.

CHAMBERLAIN RECOVERS FROM GOUT.

Radio Mud and Pact
Baths Effective

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Hon. Neville Chamberlain, who went to Harrogate for a course of Radio Mud and Pact baths a week ago, suffering from acute attack of gout, has made a remarkable recovery and anticipates being able to resume his duties in the House of Commons next week.—British Wireless Service.

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SCIENTIST'S RARE FIND

Marsupial in Australian Forest.

Adelaide. Calophymnus campistris, which is one of the rarest of all marsupials, and has not been taken for nearly 100 years, has been rediscovered on the Diamantina by Mr. H. H. Finlayson, of the Adelaide University. The animal was thought to be extinct. Mr. Finlayson has just spent three months in field work on the mammals of the Diamantina and Central Australia, and looks upon this discovery as the most important of the tour. "Only three specimens of the animal were previously known," he said, "and they are in the British Museum. I was able to gain much valuable information on its distribution and habits."

Professor F. Wood Jones, of the University of Melbourne, who was previously Professor of Comparative Anatomy at Adelaide, said that the rediscovery of Calophymnus was of considerable importance. The only previous record of it was by Gould, who sent three specimens to the British Museum in 1843. Nothing more had been heard of it until 1876, when it was reported to have been seen, but a specimen was not captured, and it was doubtful whether this record was authentic. Since then the animal had been regarded as extinct. No Australian museum possesses a specimen.

WIRELESS PROGRESS

Conversation Between Train & Aeroplane

London, May 20. An experiment showing the latest technical achievements in wireless was made to-day. A powerful loud speaker placed in a special carriage attached to an express train enabled the passengers to follow a conversation with the passengers of a big aeroplane, flying seven kilometres away following the train.

An antenna of 60 metres was fixed to the aeroplane, which carried both a receiver and transmitter, as did the train. The conversations were heard with the greatest clarity.

BACK TO THE LAND MOVE.

Unemployed Pioneers in America.

Mountain Home. A new generation of pioneers, born of a machine age in which the course of economics has run none too smoothly, is invading the Ozark country.

These modern adventurers are reliving the rugged frontier days of 50 years ago for much the same reason as their forbears invaded the Wild West—the desire for a home and an independent living from the land.

Half a century ago, the frontiersmen were the restless from the settled sections who wanted more land and more freedom.

The new pioneers, for the most part, are wage earners, many of whom have been unemployed for months and want to get back to the soil to make a living. They are coming from New York, Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis, Philadelphia and other centres of population.

Within the past year, more than 100 tracts have been sold through agents in Baxter County and numerous sales have been made by individual owners.

Much of the land sold has been rough and unimproved and the new pioneers are meeting virtually the same conditions that existed when the early frontiersmen moved into the Ozarks before railroads were built.

The tracts sold, most of them small, are being cleared and homes of logs and rough boards are springing up.

The ridge lands are rough but productive when cultivated. They will produce all field crops and are good for grass, fruit and garden truck. Most of the fields this year will be small—averaging five acres perhaps—but sufficient to furnish food for a family.

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RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.V. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.):—

6-8 p.m.—European Programme of Victor Records.
6-6.25 p.m.—Operatic.
Tosca—Puccini (arr. Tavan).
Marek Weber & His Orchestra (88864).
The Twilight of the Gods—Siegfried's Journey to the Rhine (Wagner).
Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates (9007).

The Flying Dutchman—Overture (Wagner).
Berlin State Opera Orchestra (9275).
6.25-7.20 p.m.—A Concert.
Duet for Two Pianos—Valse (Arensky).
Impromptu—Rococo (Schutt).
Harold Bauer and Ossip Gabrilowitsch (8162).

Song—
Lol Here the Gentle Larke (Bishop & Shakespeare).
Solveig's Song (From "Peer Gynt"—Grieg).
Madam Amelita Galli-Curci (Soprano) (6924).

Violin Solo—
Hungarian Dance No. 17 (Brahms-Kreisler).
Lotus Land (Scott).
Fritz Kreisler (6706).

Song—
She is My Daisy (Harper-Lauder).
Sir Harry Lauder (9020).
Piano Solos—
(a) Mazurka in C Sharp Minor, Op. 65, No. 3 (Chopin).
(b) Mazurka in A Minor, Op. 67, No. 4 (Chopin).
Nocturne in E Minor (Chopin).
Vladimir De Pachmann (6879).

Violin Solo—
Thais—Meditation (Massenet).
Tambourin Chinois (Kreisler).
Fritz Kreisler (6844).

7.20-8 p.m.—A Selection of Music by Johann Strauss.
Thousand and One Nights, Vienna Philharmonic Orch. (8990).
My Darling Waltz (from "The Gay Baron").
Berlin State Opera Orchestra (8991).

Artists' Life—Waltz, Vienna Philharmonic Orch. (8992).
Village Swallows—Waltz, Vienna Philharmonic Orch. (8993).

Reminiscences of Vienna, Victor Salon Orchestra (9994).
8 p.m.—Local Time.
8.03-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Concert from the Studio.
10.35 p.m.—Close Down.

All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by the Tsang Fook Piano Co.

IMPROVEMENTS AT LORD'S

More Room for Motor-cars: Walks Repaved: New Balcony

Visitors to Lord's this season will notice several improvements. The walks all round the ground have been repaved, and the removal of the steps at Knatchbull's Corner allows easy progress over a gentle gradient. This change will be appreciated especially by promenaders during the University and the big School matches.

Motor drivers will find more accommodation for cars at the north-west corner of the ground. The large chestnut tree that stood behind the players' dressing-room has been cut down, increasing the parking space and giving more room for turning a car.

A balcony, built on iron pillars in front of the clock tower boxes, will enable more people to watch the cricket from that vantage point. The ticket office is now in the basement of the pavilion under the secretary's room.

ROUND HONG KONG'S CINEMA THEATRES

OFFICIAL SOURCES.

"PRIVATE LIVES"

Broadway's most sensational farce hit supplied the story and intriguing title of "Private Lives," which is now having its final runs at the Queen's Theatre with Norma Shearer and Robert Montgomery co-starring by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer under the direction of Sidney Franklin.

It is high farce at a break-neck pace and, the most hilarious picture offered in many months. Both Miss Shearer and Montgomery seem perfectly at home in its happy but scrappy environment and it is easy to imagine that they had quite as much fun making the picture as the audience did in laughing at its gay wit and hysterical situation.

The story is about a divorced man and wife who marry again to spite each other. By chance both couples are assigned to adjoining bridal suites in a French hotel on the first night of the honeymoon. They row with their respective spouses and discover each other's presence, finally eloping to a chalet in Switzerland where they later are found by their rightfully enraged—but chaste—bride and bridegroom.

Spontaneous Humour
It is a screaming affair from start to finish and hits a merry pace that makes it difficult to wonder just how it all came to be put together. It seems utterly spontaneous and so unexpected are the episodes that it all appears only too real.

Reginald Denny, Una Merkel, Jean Harlow and George Davis do good work in the chief supporting roles.

"SECRETS OF A SECRETARY"

A team that has shared the honours of plaudits from films audiences everywhere for their combined activities in "Manslaughter," "performs" again in "Secrets of a Secretary" at the King's Theatre to-day.

Only one of the team actually performs on the screen however. She is Claudette Colbert, the charming French-American girl who graduated to films from the stage. The other member of the duo is George Abbott, who so capably directed Miss Colbert and Fredric March in "Manslaughter". Abbott, who is rated as one of the most expert in the craft of guiding a cast of players in the perfect delineations of their roles, is a convert to the talking screen from the Broadway stage where he established himself as one of the three or four best directors.

Abbott is also a successful playwright, having collaborated on "Broadway," "Coquette" and "Night Hostess." He not only directed "Secrets of a Secretary" but also wrote the adaptation from the original tale by Charles Brackett.

In addition to "Manslaughter" he was the director of Moran and Mack's "Why Bring That Up?" "Half-way to Heaven" and "Stolen Heaven."

Miss Colbert's films successes include "Honour Among Lovers," "The Big Pond" and "Young Man of Manhattan."

"Secrets of a Secretary" is the story of a wealthy New York society girl who marries an Argentine fortune-hunter, and loses him when her father's death leaves her penniless. She is obliged to take a position as a social secretary.

When the young daughter of her employer falls in love with her ex-husband, who has now turned out to be a member of a gang of jewel-thieves, the secretary is in a "tough spot". But it all comes out pleasantly, with a happy, romance ending.

Miss Colbert plays the role of the secretary, Georges Metaxa, newcomer to the talkies, plays the villainous husband. Others in the cast are Betty Lawford, Herbert Marshall, Mary Boland, Hugh O'Connell and Berton Churchill.

"GIRLS ABOUT TOWN"

Lilian Tashman "sat down standing up" to keep her clothes from getting wrinkled between scenes of "Girls About Town," Hollywood's version of life among the super-gold diggers which comes to the King's Theatre on Sunday next.

The device used by Miss Tashman and by Kay Francis, who is co-featured with her in the play, was a long, inclined rest, set at such an angle to take most of the weight off their feet but not slanted so much that it would put their full body weight on their clothes. The director also provided them with high stools on which to sit, keeping the hems of their skirts from touching the ground. The actresses found the "sitting down standing up" device to be the more salutary for wrinklelessness.

THE ROYAL BED

One of the most elaborate interior settings in talking picture history was constructed by Radio Pictures for Lowell Sherman's latest production, "The Royal Bed," opening to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre.

The story, a satirical comedy-drama adapted from Robert E. Sherwood's famous stage success, is laid in a mythical kingdom, of even greater than Graustarkian luxuriousness.

Of the five great interior settings, that representing the King's council chamber, while the smallest, represents the greatest outlay of wealth.

It contains a tremendous Oriental rug, measuring 83 by 18 feet. The walls are completely covered with folds of genuine Italian damask, 360 yards of it. An additional 200 yards of this material was used for door and window draperies.

Two huge perfect mirrors, measuring 10 by 6 feet, were among the other principal properties in the room.

COSTLY BOYCOTT.

Japan's Trade With China Halved

Tokyo. China's boycott of Japanese goods has resulted in a decline of 53 per cent in Japanese trade with China, exclusive of Manchuria and Mongolia, according to the Trade Bureau of the Japanese Foreign Office.

In December, when the boycott was most intense, export trade declined no less than 81.4 per cent. Exports to the southern portion of China showed the most severe decline, the total being only 340,000 yen (\$34,000) as compared with 80,710,000 yen (\$8,071,000) the previous year. Floods in the Yangtze Valley added to the loss of trade caused by the boycott.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL

Social Functions.
To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and King's Restaurant; Dinner Dances at Hong Kong, and Peninsula Hotels and King's Restaurant.

To-day—At Peninsula Hotel Rose Room, song recital by Lomelino Da Silva, world-famous lyric tenor, 9.15 p.m.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre: "Secrets of a Secretary."

To-day—Queen's Theatre: "Private Lives."

To-day—Central Theatre: "Happy Stars."

To-day—Majestic Theatre: "Seed."

To-day—Star Theatre: "A Man's Man."

To-day—World Theatre: "Midnight Thrill."

Home Malls.

To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Glenbeg).

To-morrow—Inward from America and Europe via Siberia (Pren. Cleveland); Outward for America and Europe via Siberia (Empress of Canada) 10 a.m.

Meetings.

June 4—Annual meeting of shareholders of Peak Tramways Co., Ltd., at Hong Kong Hotel, 11.30 a.m.

ADVERTISING'S AID

Striking Figures of Help to Trading

A striking testimony to the value of advertising is provided by an investigation of the accounts of a number of leading companies which has been undertaken by the Advertising Association's research department.

The figures of 1,664 large companies, whose reports were issued during the 12 months ended April 15 last, were examined, and it was found that 318 had increased their profits, while 139 showed a decline of less than 10 per cent. on the previous year's profits, and therefore in view of the fall in prices, presumably maintained the volume of turnover and the number of customers.

Of these 452 no fewer than 311, or almost 70 per cent., were concerns which advertise.

"This seems to be a clear indication," says the Association, "that businesses which have the courage to keep up or increase their advertising in times of depression stand more than twice as good a chance of keeping up or increasing their profits as those which do not."

GARDEN THEATRE

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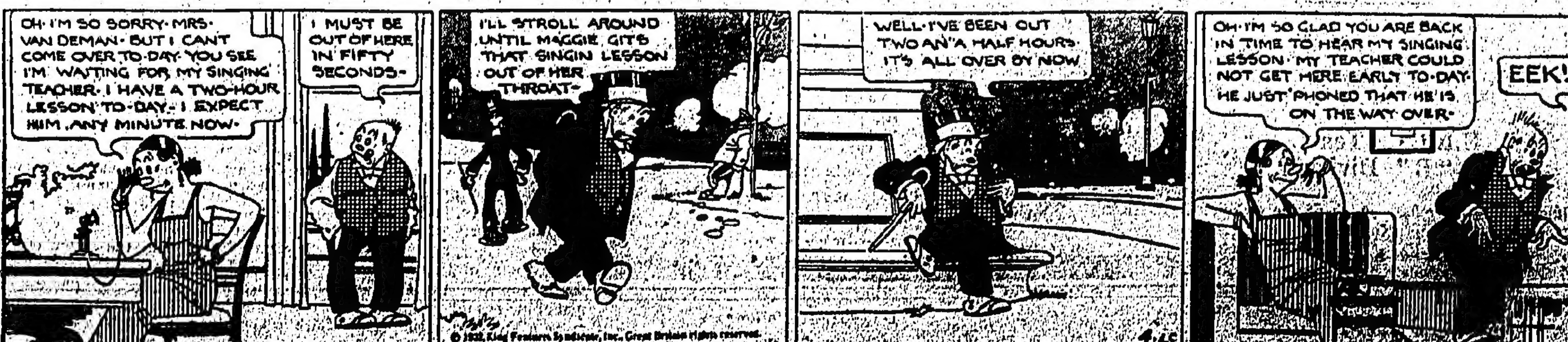
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BASEBALL GAME IS POSTPONED

South China v. Gold Star
To-morrow at 3.30.

HOWARD JAN NOT PLAYING

[By "The Kid"]

As the sailing date of the U.S.S. Gold Star has been delayed and as to-morrow is a holiday the return baseball game between the Gold Star and the South China A.A., which should have been played at Caroline Hill to-day, has been postponed until to-morrow afternoon at 3.30 p.m.

The South China outfit is at full strength with the exception of Howard Jan, their brilliant short stop, who will be in Canton on business over the week-end.

The sailor lads are determined to square things up, they have been out for practices during the week, and have added a few new players. The South China boys will have a lot of trouble stopping the boys from the Gold Star for, out in practice the sailors are hitting the ball as hard as ever, and the infield is clicking like a well-oiled machine. Tricky will be stationed behind the plate directing the plays with Turrentine looping them over.

South China will send out their strongest possible team to stop the sailors. Milton Goo has been called upon to do the mound work with Muttie Chang receiving. South China is strongly provided with reserves and should any of the regulars fall below par, the reserves will be on hand to show them up.

All in all, this looks like the best game of the year.

The line-up of the two teams will be:

South China	Gold Star
M. Chang	c. Trickie
M. Goo	p. Turrentine
E. Chang	1st. Chankon
T. Chan	2b. Twitwell
George Ng	3b. Brown
Pau	ss. Levanovich
T. Fong	lf. Bradshaw
Al. Fong	cf. Allison
Chung	rf. Lithelkand

TAIKOO R. C. TEAMS FOR SATURDAY

Lawn Bowls Encounter
Against K.B.G.C.

RECREIO TEAMS

The following will represent the Taitoo Recreation Club in their Lawn Bowls League fixture, on Saturday against the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on the latter club's green:

J. A. Watson, D. B. Bone, W. Weir, and W. Wetherpoon (Skip).
A. Stalker, J. C. Polson, J. C. Chalmers, and J. Russell (Skip).
G. McLeod, J. Sloan, J. B. Chapman, and D. Munro (Skip).
A launch will leave the Dockyard at 2.30 p.m. and the Refinery at 2.35 p.m.

Second Team.

The following will represent the Taitoo R.C. second team against the K.B.G.C. on their own green:
W. Brown, T. Swan, G. H. Stewart, and R. M. Keown (Skip).
A. MacIndoe, C. H. Summers, S. Hope, and C. B. Matthews (Skip).
A. Greenwood, J. Waid, T. Grimes, and H. McKechnie (Skip).

Recreio Rinks.

The following players will represent the Club de Recreio in this coming Saturday's League Bowls matches.

First Division team v. Craigen-gower Cricket Club at King's Park at 4 p.m.:—
L. C. R. Souza, R. R. Roberts, F. I. Medina, and R. F. Luz (Skip).
F. X. M. Silva, C. A. Lopes, L. A. Gutierrez, and C. G. Silva (Skip).
F. V. Ribeiro, J. M. M. Alves, A. S. Gomes, and C. E. Marques (Skip).

Second Rinks.

Second Division v. Craigen-gower Cricket Club at Happy Valley at 4 p.m.:—
M. A. Carvalho, P. A. Kvanovich, J. G. Ozorio, and C. H. Basto (Skip).
F. A. Xavier, J. M. S. Rosario, E. M. Remedios, and Dr. R. A. Basto (Skip).
F. Prata, F. X. Soares, J. J. Basto, and A. H. Basto (Skip).

HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI ELEVENS PHOTOGRAPHED ON FIRST DAY AT SHANGHAI RECREATION CLUB.



The Interport elevens photographed before the Shanghai Recreation Club pavilion on the first day of play. Reading from left to right:—The scorer, E. G. Barnes (umpire), G. R. Sayer, E. F. Fincher, R. S. Elliott, J. A. Isaacs, A. R. Minu, M. J. Divecha, W. T. Patterson, W. Mansel-Smith, P. Madar, A. J. Barson, H. A. Coward, J. E. Richardson, E. J. R. Mitchell (Hong Kong captain), D. McLellan, D. W. Leach (Shanghai captain), C. G. W. Robson, R. Booth, A. C. Beck, S. R. Kernan, G. C. Burnett, A. H. Madar, L. F. Stokes and P. Carr (umpire).

Third Extra Race Meeting at Macao

Sunday, June 26

The full programme of the Third Extra Race Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, which will be held at Aeris Preta, Macao, on Sunday, June 26, and for which entries close on Friday, June 10, at 5 p.m., is as follows:—

1.—(Unofficial) Machine Gun Troop Race.
Winner, a Cup with \$150 added. Second \$100, Third \$50. For bona fide Troop ponies to be approved by the O/C Machine Gun Troop. Catch-weight 155 lb. Entrance \$3. Five Furlongs.

2.—The Kongmoon Handicap: First Division.
Winner \$350, Second \$150, Third \$75. For China Ponies classified by the Hong Kong Jockey Club as "E" Class and Macao Subscriptions Ponies of any Season. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. No whips or spurs allowed. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

3.—The Wuchow Handicap.
Winner \$400, Second \$200, Third \$100. For China Ponies classified by the Hong Kong Jockey Club as "C" Class. Entrance \$5. Once Round. (Unless a minimum of 10 entries for this race is received, the event will be declared VOID).

4.—The Colowan Stakes.
Winner \$300, Second \$150, Third \$75. For Macao Subscriptions Ponies of this Year. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allow-

ance. Forced Entry \$5. Six Furlongs.

5.—The Steward's Cup.
Winner a Cup with \$200 added. Second \$150, Third \$100. For Macao Subscriptions Ponies of 1931. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced ponies this year, 7 lb allowance. Winners this year of one race 5 lb penalty; of more than one race barred. Jockey Allowance. A Cup will be presented to the winning jockey. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

6.—The Kongmoon Handicap: Second Division.
Winner \$350, Second \$150, Third \$75. For China Ponies classified by the Hong Kong Jockey Club as "E" Class and Macao Subscriptions Ponies of any Season. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

7.—The Samchun Handicap.
Winner \$350, Second \$150, Third \$75. For China Ponies classified by the Hong Kong Jockey Club as "D" Class. Entrance \$5. Once Round.

*Note:—Only one entry to be made for The Kongmoon Handicap. Events Nos. 2 and 6 will be divided by the Handicapper into First and Second Divisions respectively.

BRITISH RIVAL TO CARNERA

Taller Than Giant Italian.

When Carnera met McCorkindale at the Albert Hall he was not the giant of the assembly.

Much to the general astonishment of the spectators a heavy weight who fought in one of the preliminary contests filled that

His name was Jack Murphy, changed from Jack Baltus on taking up professional boxing. Twenty-four years of age, he is six feet 8½ inches in height—one and a half inches taller than Carnera—and scales 17 stones. His father was at one time a prominent member of the old Orion Boxing Club.

Three years ago Murphy went to Canada to work as a lumber man before taking part in contests in the United States, where he won eight consecutive fights by knock-outs, breaking his right hand in so doing.

H. K. F. A. CONSUL MEETING

A meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association Council will be held in the Association Offices at No. 29, Ice House Street, at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, when the following business will be discussed:—
To confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting No. 126 to receive the Hon. Treasurer's statement of accounts for May, 1932, and to elect auditors for the year ending June 30, 1932, and to appoint auditors and any other business.

"WANDERERS" LOSE TO JAT REGIMENT

Summer Hockey Fixture on Marina Ground.

Playing their second match of the Summer season on the Marina ground yesterday afternoon, the "Wanderers" eleven lost to the Jat Regiment by four goals to one in a fast match.

At the interval the Jats led by three goals to one, the "Wanderers" solitary point being obtained by Lieut. Tyler, who deputised for W. E. Williams in the forward line. In the second half, the civilians played better and the Jats were only able to find the net once.

Last week, the "Wanderers" defeated a team from H.M.S. Cornwall by three goals to two, W. E. Williams being responsible for the "hat trick".

LEAGUE TENNIS ON SATURDAY

H.K.C.C. Team for "B" Division.

In their first match of the season in the Hong Kong Tennis League the Hong Kong Cricket Club will be represented by the following in the "B" Division against the South China Athletic Association on Saturday at King's Park:—
A. C. L. Bowler, and T. C. L. Bowler; V. R. Gordon, and S. S. Lloyd; W. A. Nowers and J. L. Nowers.

MISS ENID WILSON AND MISS MONTGOMERY IN FINAL

British Women's Open Golf Championship.

Saunton, Yesterday.
In the semi-final round of the British Women's Open Golf Championship Miss Enid Wilson, the British Champion of 1931, eliminated Miss Cheney, the sole American survivor of seven entrants, and Miss Montgomery beat Mrs. Clark.

Results as cabled by Reuter were as follow:
Miss Enid Wilson beat Mrs. Cheney 8 and 2.
Miss Montgomery beat Mrs. Clark 5 and 2.

FANLING GOLF.

Starting Times for To-morrow & Sunday

The Secretary of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club supplies the following list of starting times for Fanling:—

Old Course.
9.24 a.m. I. H. Geare, C. W. F. Booker.

SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 1932.

Old Course.

9.24 a.m. I. H. Geare, Capt. J. H. Anderson.
9.28 " W. C. Shields, R. Young.
9.32 " L. Yates, E. Stone.
9.36 " A. Leach, W. D. Denham.

Our Sports Diary.

TO-DAY.

RACING—Entries closed for Eighth Extra Meeting at noon.

TO-MORROW.

BASEBALL—South China A.A. v. U.S.S. Gold Star at Caroline Hill at 3.30 p.m.
CHESS—Open Championship.

SATURDAY.

LAWN BOWLS—First Division Civil Service v. Kowloon Dockers. Recreio v. Craigen-gower C.C. Kowloon C.C. v. Police R.C. Kowloon B.G.C. v. Taitoo R.C.

Second Division.

Craigen-gower C.C. v. Recreio. Electric R.C. v. Civil Service. Yacht Club v. Kowloon C.C. Taitoo R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.

LAWN TENNIS—"A" Division.

Chinese R.C. v. Hong Kong C.C. Indian R.C. v. South China A.A.

"B" Division.

Craigen-gower C.C. v. Indian R.C. Army T.C. v. University. South China v. Hong Kong C.C.

Civil Service v. Recreio. Kowloon C.C. v. Chinese R.C.

"C" Division.

South China v. Indian R.C. Army T.C. v. Hong Kong C.C. Recreio v. Kowloon B.G.C. Kowloon C.C. v. Craigen-gower C.C.

University v. Chinese R.C.

Police R.C. v. Y.M.C.A.

CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP.

TO-MORROW.

C. W. Geare v. A. C. Ridgman. E. W. Randall v. J. E. Carvalho. E. W. Paul v. E. L. Russell. C. M. Sequeira v. I. A. Boulton.

Two Further Results In H. K. Area Tennis League

Engineers and H.K.S.R.A. Win

Two further matches in the Hong Kong Area Tennis League have been decided. In the Hong Kong section the Royal Engineers improved their position by defeating the H.Q. Wing, South Wales Borderers, by a convincing margin.

In the Kowloon section the Hong Kong and Singapore Brigade, R.A., gained an overwhelming victory over the H.Q. Wing, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, conceding but one of the nine sets.

Engineers' Triumph.

At Sookunpoo the Royal Engineers defeated the H.Q. Wing, South Wales Borderers, by 6 sets to 3 in the Hong Kong Area Tennis League.

Full results were as follow:—

Capt. Siddall and Lt. Anstruther (R.E.):—

beat Lt.-Col. Raikes and

Capt. Villar 9-7

beat Cpl. Bradley and Pte.

Silbey 6-2

lost to C/Sgt. Jarman and

L/Cpl. Arnold 1-6

S.M. Paul and Sgt. Savill (R.E.):—

beat C/Sgt. Jarman and

L/Cpl. Arnold 6-2

lost to Lt.-Col. Raikes and

Capt. Villar 5-7

beat Cpl. Bradley and Pte.

Silbey 6-2

S.M. Smith and S/Sgt. Pollard (R.E.):—

beat Cpl. Bradley and Pte.

Silbey 6-2

beat C/Sgt. Jarman and

L/Cpl. Arnold 6-3

lost to Lt.-Col. Raikes and

Capt. Villar 2-6

Easy Win for H.K.S.R.A.

In the Kowloon area of the Hong Kong Area Tennis League the Hong Kong and Singapore Brigade R.A., defeated the H.Q. Wing, Argylls & Sutherland Highlanders.

Full results were as follow:—

M/Cr. Wardle and B.Q.M.S. de la Haye (H.K.S.R.A.):—

beat Bsdn. McKay and Pte.

McKell 6-1

lost to Pte. Brown and Pte.

McLaren 0-6

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beat Pte. Taylor and Pte.

Duff 6-3

Sgt. Harding and Bdr. Bryant (H.K.S.R.A.):—

beat Pte. Brown and Pte.

McLaren 7-9

beat Pte. Taylor and Pte.

Duff 6-4

beat Bsdn. McKay and Pte.

McKell 6-2

Capt. Barry and Sgt. Pratt (H.K.S.R.A.):—

beat Pte. Taylor and Pte.

Duff 6-1

beat Bsdn. McKay and Pte.

McKell 6-1

beat Pte. Brown and Pte.

McLaren 6-1

TABLE TO DATE.

Hong Kong Area.

P. W. L. Pts.

R.A.P.C. 3 3 0 3

Royal Engineers 3 3 0 3

R.A.O.C. 2 2 0 2

"B" Co. S.W.B. 3 2 1 2

"H.Q." Co. S.W.B. 1 1 1 1

"D" Co. S.W.B. 2 1 1 1

R.A.S.C. 3 1 2 1

40th R.E. 1 0 1 0

R.A.M.C. 1 0 1 0

"A" Co. S.W.B. 2 0 2 0

"C" Co. S.W.B. 2 0 2 0

12th R.A. 2 0 2 0

Kowloon Area.

P. W. L. Pts.

H.K.S.R.A. 3 3 0 3

"A" Co. Argylls 2 2 0 2

"C" Co. Argylls 1 1 0 1

"D" Co. Argylls 1 1 0 1

20th R.A. 2 1 1 1

R.C.S. 2 1 1 1

"B" Co. Argylls 2 0 2 0

31st R.A. 2 0 2 0

"H.Q." Co. Argylls 3 0 3 0

NEW AMATEUR TENNIS CHAMPION

Lord Aberdare Defeats The Holder In Crucial Final

Lord Aberdare, at the age of 46, accomplished another wonderful athletic performance at Queen's Club recently, when he won the amateur tennis championship by defeating the holders, Lowther Lees, of Manchester, in the final by sets to two (6-3, 8-4, 5-6, 8-6, 6-4) after a magnificent match, which lasted for two hours and fifty minutes.

Lord Aberdare holds the British rackets championship, and has been runner-up four times for the amateur tennis championship.

Lord Aberdare was with in a point of the match in the tenth game of the third set but lost this set and the next, and then made a splendid comeback. Both players went boldly for the winning strokes, Lord Aberdare making some beautiful strokes for the decade.

JIMMY FOXX SCORES SEVENTEENTH

To Give Athletics Win Over the Yankee.

GIANTS LOSE TO PHILLIES

New York, Yesterday.
The following were the results of to-day's Baseball games:—

National League.	
New York	2 Philadelphia 4
Klein, Terry and Ott hit home runs.	
Chicago	0 St. Louis 1
American League.	
Boston	1 Washington 2
Philadelphia	6 New York 7
Sixteen innings were played.	
Philadelphia	7 New York 6
Fox, Cochran, Bishop, Cramer, Ruffing and Jorgens hit home runs.	

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TABLES TO DATE.

National League.		Percent.
P.	W.	L.
Chicago	44	27 17
Boston	42	24 18
Cincinnati	47	24

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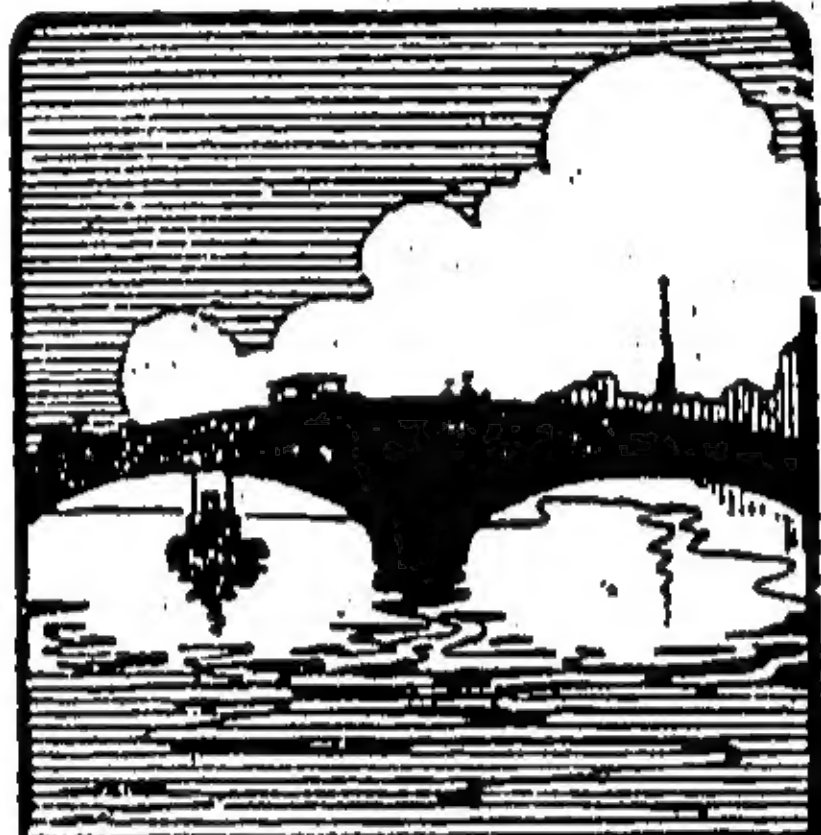
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BEARY'S LOST OPPORTUNITY

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ORWELL FINISHES NINTH!

London, Yesterday.

Lane opened a new chapter in the history of the Derby when he piloted April Fifth (100-6) to victory in one of the most sensational finishes ever witnessed on the Epsom course. Orwell, a hot favourite at 2-1 was left standing, Miracle and Dastur were caught in the straight and Lane flashed past the post three-quarters of a length in front of Dastur to record his first Derby triumph.

BEARING'S BAD LUCK.

Three horses pounding past the stands in a desperate effort to reach the post of glory first; a crowd which had already lost sight of the favourite's failure in their excitement over the close finish; and the finish itself with Beary straining every muscle in Dastur to get him past the post first with Harry Wragg bringing Miracle nearer with every stride. It was truly one of the greatest finishes to the Derby classic for many a year.

Beary tried hard to give H. H. the Aga Khan his second victory in three years, but Dastur could not retain his lead at the critical moment, and Lane came through in the nick of time.

Their Majesties the King and Queen accompanied by the Prince of Wales and Prince George witnessed a magnificent start when the field of twenty-one shot away in one straight line.

Cockpen in the Lead.

Cockpen was the first to take the lead followed closely by April Fifth and Bacchus, with Miracle, Orwell and Wyvern maintaining challenging positions. Jimmie, ridden by Canty, could be seen in the last position as the field gradually straggled out.

At the six furlong post Portofino had robbed Cockpen of the lead and led Firdausi, Cockpen, Miracle, and Spenser. Orwell, the favourite, was eighth.

Portofino Leads.

With the famous Tattenham Corner, at which point Derbys have been won and lost, rounded, Portofino was still in the lead with Firdausi, Miracle, Spenser and Dastur in close attendance.

Two furlongs from the post Beary brought Dastur into the lead, and though his mount was swiftly pursued by Miracle, Portofino and April Fifth on the outside Beary looked as if he had the race well in hand.

April Fifth's Challenge.

Then came the thrills known only to the Derby. A murmur which swelled at every fraction of a second greeted the challenge of April Fifth. Inside the distance Lane got into close grips with Beary and the horses were running neck and neck over the last two hundred yards with Miracle bringing up the rear. April Fifth lasted those last gruelling yards better and came in amid thunderous applause three quarters of a length ahead of Dastur in 2mins. 48 seconds.

Leighon Withdrawn.

Only one horse was scratched on the eve of the Derby, Leighon, which was to have been ridden by Brennan at 100-1. The following was the field of twenty-one with their jockeys and betting prices:

- Andrea (Fred Fox) 40-1 o.
April Fifth (Lane) 100-6.
Bacchus (Marshall) 100-1 o.
Buckle (Weston), 100-1 o.
Celebrator (Burns) 86-1 t.
Cockpen (Gordon Richards) 100-8 o, 18-1 t.
Corry (Quirk) 200-1 t and o.
Dastur (Beary) 18-1.
Firdausi (Steve Donoghue) 28-1 t.
Hesperus E. Elliott) 100-8 t.
Jackdaw II. (Joe Childs) 125-1 t.
Jewel (Canty) 86-1 o.
100-1 t.
Miracle (Harry Wragg) 100-8.
Orwell (R. Jones) 5-4.
Polar Planet (Harbett) 200-1 t and o.
Portofino (Royal) 28-1 t.
Royal Dancer (Rae Wragg) 66-1 t.

Spenser (Dick) 66-1 t.
Summer Planet (Frederick) 200-1 t and o.
Totalg (Carslake) 66-1 t.
Wyvern (Jellies) 33-1 o, 35-1 t.

DERBY RESULT

1. APRIL FIFTH 100-6
 2. DASTUR 18-1
 3. MIRACLE 100-9
- Won by $\frac{3}{4}$ length; a short head separating second and third in a field of twenty-one.

DERBY JOCKEY WINNERS.

Winning jockeys in the Derby since 1888 when the race became a national institution are as follows:—

- S. Donoghue (6).
J. Watts (3).
D. Maher (3).
J. Childs (3).
T. Loates (2).
H. Jones (2).
J. Relf (2).
H. Wragg (2).
F. Barrett.
G. Barrett.
F. Allsopp.
S. Loates.
C. Wood.
O. Madden.
M. Cannon.
L. Relf.
J. H. Martin.
K. Cannon.
W. Bullock.
B. Dillon.
G. Stern.
E. Piper.
M. MacGee.
F. Templeman.
F. O'Neill.
T. Weston.
E. C. Elliott.
J. Marshall.
F. Fox.
Lane.

MRS. MOSS WINS P.R.C. DERBY SWEEP

G. Ross Wins the K.B.G.C. Sweepstake.

In the Police Recreation Club Derby Sweep, which realised \$4,024.00, Mrs. Moss won \$2,164.89 as the result of April Fifth's triumph.

Mr. Lai Tse-sun, who drew Dastur, collects \$618.54, and Mr. Chee Mee, B. & S., collects \$329.27 on Miracle.

K.B.G.C. Winners.

Mr. G. Ross, who drew April Fifth with ticket No. 1742 in the Kowloon Bowling Green Club Derby Sweep, which realised \$12,120.00, has won \$608.00 as the result of that horse's sensational victory.

Mr. W. Routley drew Dastur with ticket No. 1486 and collects \$151.60, whilst Mr. Small, drew Miracle with ticket No. 951 and won \$39.90.

ON THE BOWLING
GREENProspect For
1932.

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Several items of interest have cropped up since last September which are worthy of mention, although only one of them refers to Scotland. This was the inauguration of an indoor game with the Crystal Palace team at Easter, which may well be the forerunner of internationalism in the days to come.

Already the E.B.A. has been interesting itself in the standardisation of the game south of the Border with a view to taking over all constituent clubs and legislating for them in future. The visitors in the past games were a little bit handicapped with the shortness of our rinks and the presence of the horizontal sticks in the middle, which precluded firing, whilst their sight-seeing jaunts left them a little jaded when the last game came to be played.

Still, it was in the final tussle that victory nearly smiled on them, a draw on one of the two rinks engaged being quite a good criterion of the play. There is a future for the indoor game, and London, with its twenty or so new enclosures for the Winter, is certainly not going to be left in the cold.

Following the English county affiliation principle, the women folks have started an association of their own which bids fair to compete with the older association in time. Four or five counties have already the necessary complement for affiliation, and one or two others will join this year. In Leicester a green has just been completed for women alone, and it is stated to be one of the finest in the Midlands. Word has also been received of the formation of a South African Women's Association, so it behoves our Scottish women to get an immediate move on with a view to holding their own in the bowling world.

A National Comparison.

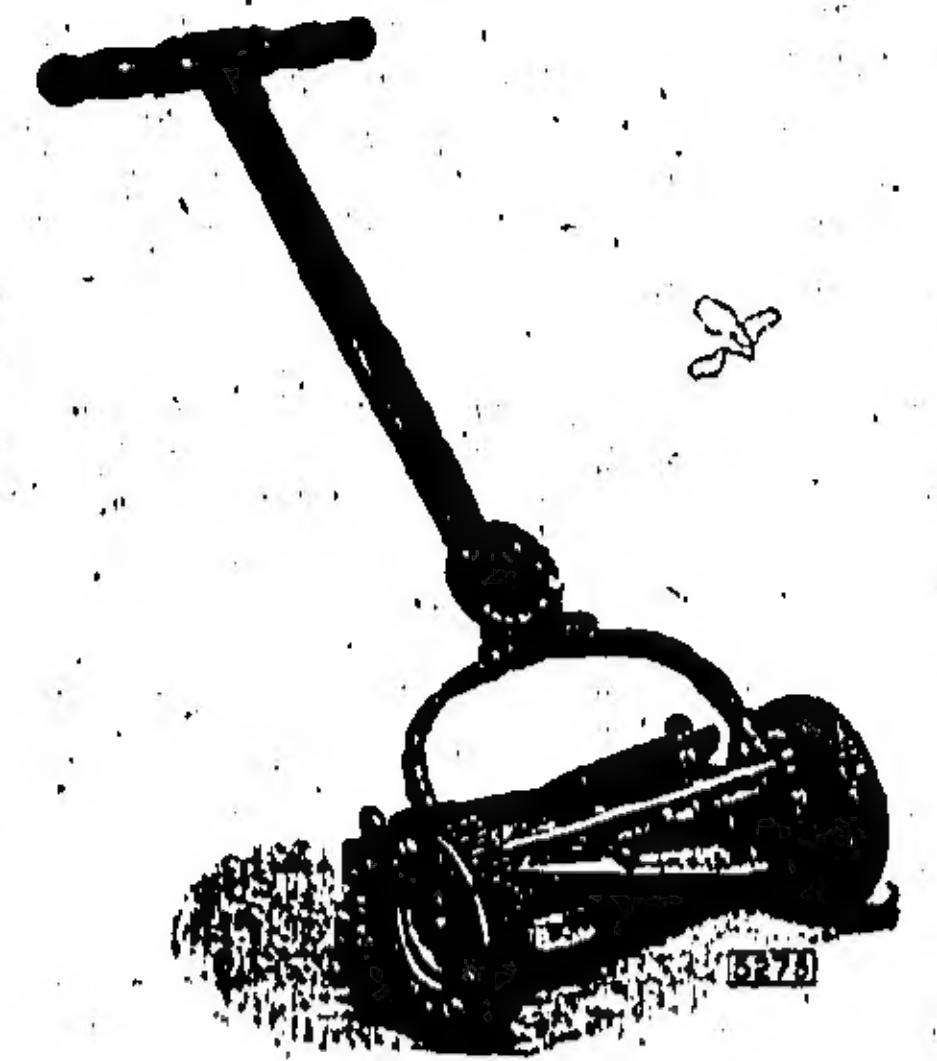
Of all the four countries, five including the Irish Free State, only one debar the public greens from membership, and that is Scotland, hence the formation in 1931 of an association of its own. This will be dealt with elsewhere in these notes, but it might be pointed out en passant that a few public greens have crept into the S.B.A. by some means or other, notably Duns Park and two or three of the Dunfermline clubs. When it is remembered that certain of the public green clubs in Perth and Aberdeen enjoy full membership with the county associations, it seems quite anomalous to find them ostracised from the national association.

Ireland's forces are, of course, centred round Belfast, whilst the Free State League has its headquarters in Dublin. In Wales the growth of working men's clubs has been remarkable, almost every colliery, manufacturing company, and hospital having its green, and all contributing their combined weight towards the supremacy of the Principality in the international series, where a match has not been lost in two seasons.

As regards international matters, it might be of interest to mention that England at the last annual general meeting turned down the motion from Durban to play only English-born bowlers in future so that we can look for the usual half-dozen Scots in the visitors' ranks at Queen's Park, in July.

The Welsh B.A. Secretary states that nobody is deterred from participating whether English, Scots, or Irish, although the line might possibly be drawn at an American. As only Ireland is committed to native-born players, it seems that the time is now ripe for the I.B.A. to step in and take a hand with a view towards standardisation of policy.

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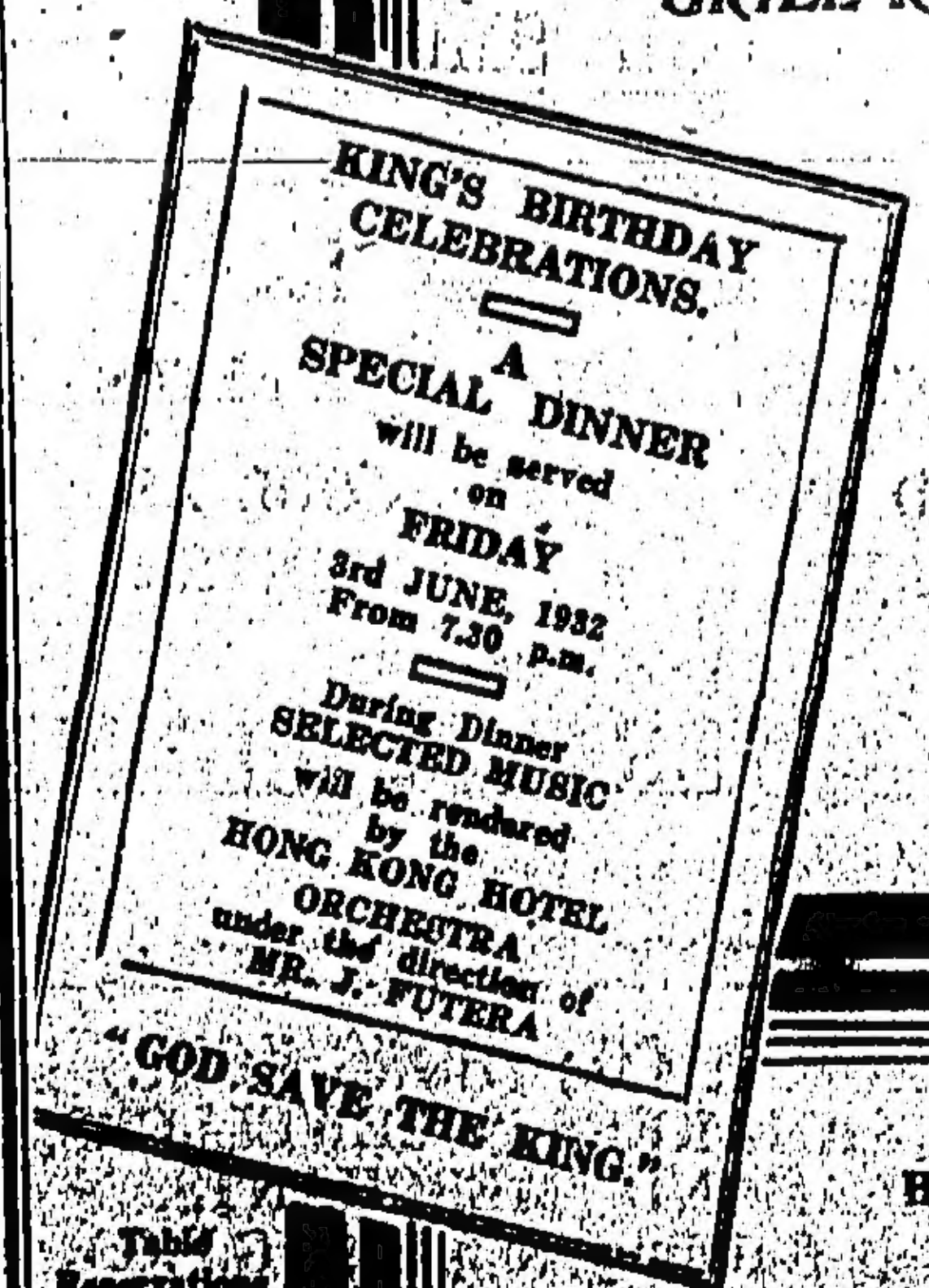
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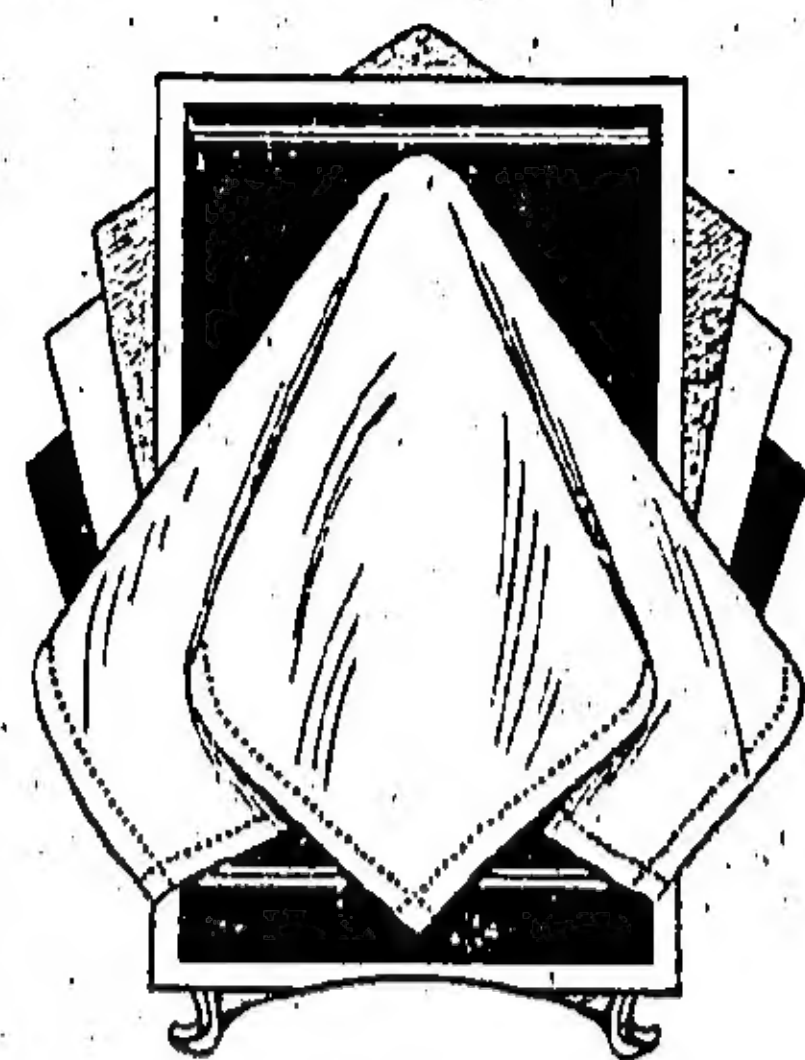
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BIRTH.

MARTIN.—At the Victoria Hospital on June 1, 1932, to Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Martin, a son.

The China Mail.

Hong Kong, Thursday, June 2, 1932.

America Acts.

In the midst of one of the most serious economic depressions the world has known any cheering news is comforting regardless of the source, and the cable this morning announcing that the United States Government has taken steps that will enable the Budget to be balanced is particularly welcome. Great Britain's magnificent example to the world in restoring stability and security to the national finances a few months after a very grave crisis has not been followed with any great enthusiasm in other countries, and "the dawn of the new era of prosperity" appears as far distant as ever. In some European countries bankruptcy is so imminent, and poverty and distress so real that little can be accomplished, but in other countries more fortunately placed it has been evident that the citizens are not prepared to emulate the British taxpayer, whose capacity seems unlimited. Until a universal recognition that sacrifice is needed there is small prospect of an early end to the depression. For some time, Americans some of whom have not even yet recovered from the shock that accompanied the collapse of the hectic boom conditions of 1929, did not quite appreciate the situation and it was not until the past few months when the economic blizzard has swept the States with full force, a force which has lost nothing of its severity through its belatedness, that the people have been awakened to the actualities. As it is many outsiders still labour under the misapprehension that America is still prosperous, and that the depression if it exists there at all, it does so with slight effect. Conditions in the United States are comparable now to those in practically any country, and in some sections, the agricultural areas in the South and in the Mid-West particularly, considerable poverty exists. Unemployed number the best part of 10,000,000, millionaires have become paupers,

business and trade have been halved in many instances and Wall Street is almost idle in comparison with activity of former years. Even Hollywood is seriously affected, and there are few places which reflect even a shadow of the usual American prosperity. The Government's finances are in a sad state and the prospect of a two billion dollar deficit this year made some stern and immediate action imperative. Of course, the nation is sound, and provided sane and careful administration is exercised through the crisis the future is assured. The resources of the country are enormous, the gold reserves will protect the currency, and a return to normal is only a matter of time if the present difficulties are faced. President Hoover has earned the acclamation of the world for his determination to bring the Senate to take action, although the reaction in his own country is doubtful. Mr. Hoover's action is all the more commendable in view of the fact that he is risking the possible displeasure of the majority of the voters when the Presidential elections are only a few months off.

The sales tax, the passage of which President Hoover secured through setting the precedent of making a personal appeal to the Senate, has always been unpopular in the States mainly through misunderstanding. Recent propaganda, instigated by William Randolph Hearst and two or three Senators, has done much to clear misapprehensions and now public opinion is much more favourable to the sales tax, which works so effectively and smoothly in Canada. The tax, which passes the extra duty directly to the consumer, and does not affect the article at its source, is popular with the majority of producers and retailers. Those who advocate the tax claim that it is the form of taxation which causes the least harmful effect to industry. So far it has been regarded as a temporary measure to be imposed only in times of emergency, but Canada has operated the sales tax for so long that Canadians regard it as almost in the same category as income-tax.

The enormous turn-over of American business will make the sales-tax a very profitable source of income for the Government and it has been estimated that the revenue derived in this manner would in itself cover the Budget deficit. However, the nature of the tax is only incidental to the important fact that the tax was imposed, and Britishers will feel a deep measure of satisfaction that their example has done something to inspire the Americans to action which will benefit both the United States and the world.

News in Brief.

The Cottage Hospital for Women and Children which has been organized under the auspices of the local St. John Ambulance Brigade at Kam Tin, New Territories, will be formally opened on Wednesday, June 8, at 5.15 p.m. Owing to unforeseen circumstances, the Hon. Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, Dr. A. R. Wellington, who was to have performed the ceremony will be unable to attend, and the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton will deputise for him.

On the occasion of the King's Birthday Celebrations at Government House, the Management of the Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., beg to inform their patrons that there will be no Dinner Dance at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, 3rd June. At the Hong Kong Hotel Grill, however, a Special Dinner will be served from 7.30 p.m. and during the dinner Selected Music will be rendered by the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra under the direction of Mr. J. Futera.

"EASTING DOWN."

Interesting Tale of China.

"Easting Down" by Gregory Stapleton is a novel of overwhelming interest to all who travel to and from the East as well as to those whose home is in the Middle Kingdom. The plot is laid chiefly on the China Coast and in ships on the Orient trade. The hero, an officer in the Chinese Customs makes his first voyage out of Shanghai in an old sailing barque. He returns in a tea-clipper racing home.

The whole story is full of living episodes, but the central tragedy and the most exciting incident amongst many occurs on board a liner homeward bound.

Commander Stapleton knew well the China of other days as a period of his early life was spent there when his Uncle, Sir Alexander Matheson Bart, had interests connected with the China Coastal trade. Afterwards Commander Stapleton joined the Royal Navy but the East claimed him again and he held the appointment of Captain-Superintendent of the Imperial Lighthouse Service in Ceylon. He is now Captain of the Port at Holyhead.

THE GOLDFISH.

And the Cause and Treatment of Obesity.

San Quentin, California. Goldfish used in experiments at the California State Prison here may shed new light on the cause and treatment of obesity. The effect of diet on the weight of these ornamental animals was investigated by Dr. Leo L. Stanley and Gordon L. Tescher of the prison's medical department and reported to the current issue of Endocrinology, a scientific journal devoted to studies of the glands of internal secretion.

These investigators studied four gold fish. Two of the fish were fed beef muscle and the other two were fed an equal amount by weight of ground-up glandular substance from the reproductive glands of a ram. The ones getting the beef muscle gained more weight than the ones getting the glandular substance.

From previous experiments the investigators knew that the glandular substance increased the activity of the fish. They assumed that the two diets, beef muscle and glandular substance, were equally adequate as food. Consequently they concluded that the glandular substance increased the energy interchange in the fish bodies as well as the activity and thus kept down the weight of the fish. They pointed out in their report that this may have a bearing on the cause and treatment of obesity.

Personal Pars.

Mr. E. R. Dwyer, Government Analyst, who is in the Government Civil Hospital suffering from pneumonia, had a restless night, and his temperature has lowered. He is still in a serious condition. He is doing fairly well, but progress is not so fast as might be desired.

THE KING'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Arrangements at the Cenotaph To-morrow.

MARCH PAST OF TROOPS

The celebration of H.M. the King's birthday, to-morrow, will take the usual form, and the principal event will be the march past of local troops and volunteers, H.E. the Officer Administering the Government taking the salute at the Cenotaph. His Excellency will arrive at 10 a.m. for this ceremony.

At 11 a.m. H.E. will hold a reception for the local Consular Body at Government House, and the official luncheon party will be held at the Hong Kong Club at noon.

His Excellency will give a reception at Government House at night, commencing at 8.30, and a gathering of about 2,500 is expected.

The Guard of Honour.

For the Cenotaph ceremony in the morning there will be a Guard of Honour composed of three officers and 50 men from H.M.S. Cornwall and a similar detachment from the 2nd Battalion, The Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

Upon arrival H.E. will be met by Major-General J. W. Sandilands, G.O.C., Commodore A.H. Walker, and the Senior Officer of the Air Force. The Guard of Honour will give the Royal salute, after which H.E. the Officer Administering the Government will inspect the Guard of Honour.

21-Gun Salute.

After the inspection, a Royal Salute of 21 guns will be fired by Indian battery stationed on the Murray Parade Ground and between each seven rounds a feu de joie will be fired by the 3rd Battalion, 9th Jat Regiment, who will be drawn up on Connaught Road, facing the Cenotaph.

The National Anthem will be played by the Band of the 1st Battalion, The South Wales Borderers at the conclusion of the salute, when cheers will be given for the King by the assembled troops.

Following this there will be the march past of naval and military and volunteer units, who will then proceed on a route march along the waterfront going westward and returning to town via Queen's Road.

Troops on Parade.

The Royal Navy will be represented by one company of seamen from H.M.S. Cornwall, one company from the Eighth Destroyer Flotilla, the 4th Submarine Flotilla and H.M.S. Sandwich. The Royal Marines will be represented by two platoons from H.M.S. Cornwall and one platoon from H.M.S. Tamar. Officers and crew from H.M.S. Orpheus, Whitshed, Wild Swan and Verity will also participate.

The Military forces will be represented by 144 members of the British Heavy Battery Royal Artillery, 75 ranks of the R.E.'s, 25 Royal Signallers, 460 members of the 1st Batt. South Wales Borderers and 100 Second Batt. Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. Other units participating in the march will include the Second, Fourth and Fifth Heavy Batteries, Royal Army Service Corps, Hong Kong Mule Corps, 3rd Batt. 9th Jat Regiment, and the Royal Air Force.

The Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, including the two new units, the Anzac Corps and the Anti-Aircraft section, will parade at full strength and will be followed by members of the Merchant Navy, St. John Ambulance, Boy Scouts, Girl Guides and Guards Association.

At the Cenotaph, the G.O.C. British Troops will be accompanied by the G.S.O., A.A. and Q.M.G. I/c Admn., and his A.D.C. The Commodore will be attended by his staff.

The Naval, Military and other units will march past His Excellency and staff in column of route.

The route will be via Jackson Road, Des Voeux Road, and Queen Victoria Street to the junction of Queen Victoria Street with Connaught Road.

REPRIEVED SIX TIMES

Condemned For Murder

Albany, N.Y., May 4. Benny Gordon, a condemned murderer, is growing philosophical over his lot.

For the sixth time when within a few days of going to the electric chair, he has been reprieved. Gordon is wanted by New York State as an important witness against a man who is accused of the murder of a policeman.

WANTS ENGAGEMENT RING BACK

Jilted Scotsman Sues Fiancee.

"DROP IT IN THE THAMES"

London, May 4.

A Scottish commercial traveller who had been disappointed in love sued his former fiancee, before Mr. Justice Horridge in the King's Bench Division to-day, for the return of presents, including the engagement ring.

He was Mr. Henry George Watson, of St. Mary's Road, Downfield, Dundee, and the defendant was Miss F. M. Treherne, of Northbrook Road, Bowes Park, who maintained that Mr. Watson was not entitled to the articles, because he had told her not to send them back to him on any account.

Mr. Watson had written to Miss Treherne, "As regards these symbols of my trust and truest love, which you refer to and ask for disposal instructions, please destroy them. Don't for God's sake, send them back to me."

"Ask the Salvation Army to collect the gramophone. As for the ring, hide it away, put it in the fire, or, the first time you are on the river, drop it in the Thames. The sight of it would distract me."

Rejected Suitor.

Mr. J. J. Llewellyn, for Mr. Watson, explained that that was the letter of a disappointed and rejected suitor, written in a distracted frame of mind. Miss Treherne did not carry out the instructions, though she had given the gramophone, which was included in the presents, to a hospital.

Mr. Justice Horridge said he did not think the phrases in the letter meant that the articles were then given to Miss Treherne absolutely.

After a short consultation, Miss Treherne agreed to hand back the ring, valued at \$35, and a cut crystal necklace, valued at 24 1/2s. In those circumstances Mr. Watson did not ask for his costs.

The claim was accordingly settled on those terms.

NO MORE LONG LONE FLIGHTS

Miss Amy Johnson Decries "Stunts."

SENSATIONALISM

Southampton, May 3.

Miss Amy Johnson, the only woman to fly solo from England to Australia, has finished with long lone flights.

She conveyed this decision to a Press representative, when she arrived at Southampton to-day from South Africa in the Union Castle liner Winchester Castle. Miss Johnson has been on a health trip to South Africa, and looked very well.

Asked if she had any flying plans for the future, she said, "No; the report that I have a flight across the Atlantic in mind is entirely without foundation. I shall never make another long solo flight. My interests are now concerned with the development of commercial aviation."

Up to Designers.

"I have lost patience with stunt flights, which have no other object than sensationalism. The flight that does not aim to make a definite contribution to the development of aviation has no interest for me. I shall never do anything of a spectacular nature again, unless, of course, by a fluke."

"The human element in aviation has proved itself. It is now up to the designers of machines. What is wanted is a hundred per cent. efficiency, machine capable of day and night flying, and one which enables the pilot to find his way to his destination no matter what weather is encountered."

MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY.

Born on Boundary

Montreal, May 3.

Rosario Allard is a man without a country. Neither the United States nor Canada will claim him as a citizen.

Mr. Allard was born on the "Derby Line." The United States-Canadian boundary went through the middle of the house, and now the United States authorities are trying to determine in which room he was born.

Ottawa Starting Point for Empire Union

Should Imperial Defence be
Discussed?

Suggestion for Agenda

Allocation of Dominions' Budgets

In a few months' time the representatives of the Governments of the various parts of the British Empire will be assembled at Ottawa for a Conference which promises to become a starting-point in the policy of Empire economic union, and will deal with all such matters as trade and commerce between the Mother Country, the Dominions and the Colonial territory.

We sincerely hope, says the Navy Magazine, that they will be successful in their efforts, and that, as a result of their deliberations, the systems of trade and industry within the Empire may be so co-ordinated as to lead to a period of prosperity.

There is one important subject, however, which has so far not been suggested in the public utterances of the several Premiers, which, as it seems to us, should be included in the agenda of the Conference. That is, Empire Defence, and especially the defence of our sea trade and communications. With all respect to those who are speaking and writing about the trade and economic problems likely to be dealt with at Ottawa, we think that the omission of deliberations upon defence problems would be a grave mistake. For without sufficient and efficient power to defend shipping and commerce upon the high seas, agreements as to inter-Empire trade and commerce would be built upon the sand and could not be carried out against the wishes of foreigners.

It is to be expected that some of the measures which we and the other peoples of the Empire may desire to adopt will necessarily appear to be opposed to the immediate interests of certain foreign peoples, and though this may be so, we venture to think that the linking up of the British Empire in the bonds of economic union will, in the long run, benefit the whole world and bring about the return of universal prosperity.

We venture, therefore, to put forward for the consideration of the Governments of the Empire a sug-

gestion that the agenda of the Ottawa Conference include Empire Defence, and that the items to be considered under this head include the following:—

- Allocate Budgets.**
(a) A definite allocation of some portion of the budgets of the respective Governments to the defence of the Empire shipping and sea communications.
(b) The adoption of a plan by which the Premiers of the Dominions can be continually in touch on the problems of defence. (This might be achieved by sending representatives to sit on the Committee of Imperial Defence, or some such body, which could meet at certain stated times, and also when an emergency arises.)
(c) Naval bases and their use and defence.
(d) Supplies of fuel, especially oil.

We are well aware that the economic problems are vast and will take much time to discuss and settle, and we would, therefore, naturally be averse to overload the agenda of the Conference with other subjects; but as security is the basis of all trade and commerce, and without it economic matters cannot rest upon a sure foundation, so we would urge that this very important matter of defence should be properly dealt with.

The various parts of the Empire have here a unique opportunity of coming together and deciding how much and in what direction each can contribute towards the maintenance of peace and security by defensive measures; such measures we believe would assuredly be welcome to the peoples of the Empire.

PEOPLE V. RED TAPE.

Washington, May 6.

President Hoover, in a fighting mood, to-day called again for speedy balancing of the federal 1933 budget through the enactment of a reasonable revenue bill and the reduction of federal expenditures.

Reading a statement at a Press conference, the president declared the need of the country in this "serious hour" should not be regarded as a partisan issue.

"This is not a controversy between the president and congress—it is an issue of the people against delays in legislation which impair the credit of the United States," he declared.

NO RECONCILIATION

Jack Dempsey and Estelle Taylor

In spite of denials of rumours that Jack Dempsey, the famous boxer, who is visiting Hollywood, and his former wife Estelle Taylor, the film star, are making up their broken romance, the once-married couple continue to be seen a great deal together.

"Important business matters had to be attended to," said Miss Taylor, referring to Jack Dempsey's visits at her home. "There is no reason for us not to continue friends."

DON'T WASTE WATER

SONG RECITAL TO-NIGHT.

Da Silva at Peninsula
Rose Room.

WHAT MILAN THINKS OF HIM.

Local music lovers are reminded that Senhor Lomelino da Silva, world-famous Portuguese lyric tenor, will appear in a song recital in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel to-night, commencing at 9.15.

Even in Italy, the country which gave the world such an unrivalled singer as Caruso, Senhor da Silva is accepted as a singer of no mean ability. The following notices appeared in Milan papers after a recital which he gave there just before coming out East:

Il Secolo writes of Senhor da Silva: "Magnificent in 'Bohème' for the quality of his voice and temperament. The uproarious applause after the first act aria was well deserved."

The following is from the Rivista Internazionale di Musica:—"He who obtained the greatest applause was Silva, who by nature was endowed with the enviable voice of the sweetest and limpid timbre of the crystal. Silva is destined for the brilliant career of a star on the lyric stage."

Programme.

The programme will be as follows:—

- Part I.**
Arias.
a. Oreste o quella Verdi.
b. M'appari tutta amor Puccini.
c. M'appari tutta amor Puccini.
d. Serenade de D. Juan Tchaikowski.
e. La Fleur que tu m'avais jeté Bizet.
Part II.
Spanish Songs.
a. Granadinas Barrera y Calleja.
b. Mi tierra Jose Avilla.
Piano Solos by Miss Leuba Pecker.
English Songs.
a. All for You Martin.
b. Hills La Forge.
Accompanist: Miss Leuba Pecker.

SHARE MARKET.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states: There were no important changes to be noted at this morning's session, prices being well-maintained and the undertone quite good.—

Sales.
Hotels (Rights) \$180.
Hong Kong Realities \$12.30.
Ewo Cottons Tls. 14.75.
Hong Kong Trams \$23.
China Lights (old) \$20.34.
Telephones (P. P.) \$24.
Buyers.
Bank of East Asia \$115.
Canton Insurances \$1200.
China Underwriters \$3.30.
China Fire Insurances \$600.
Douglases \$27.75.
H. K. & W. Docks \$18.
Hotels (Rights) \$180.
Hong Kong Lands \$77.75.
Humphreys \$16.40.
Ewo Cottons Tls. 14.70.
Hong Kong Trams \$22.34.
Peak Trams (new) \$8.
Star Ferries \$91.
Yaumati Ferries (new) \$31.34.
China Lights (old) \$20.35.
China Lights (new) \$20.75.
Hong Kong Electric \$74.75.
Macao Electric \$24.
Telephones (P. P.) \$23.85.
Malbon Sugars \$21.
Canton Ice 6 1/2.
Hong Kong Ropes \$14.
Dairy Farms \$28.30.
Watsons (old) \$15.
Watsons (new) \$14.75.
Lane, Crawford (old) \$6.60.
Lane, Crawford (new) \$6.30.
Sinceres \$16.20.

Sellers.
Hong Kong Banks \$1,535.
Raubs \$36.75.
S. C. Motors "B" \$12.

A BOXER'S CAREER.

Sir Harry Takes Hamilton
Lad Under His Wing

Sir Harry Lauder has taken a young Hamilton boxer under his wing and is going to look after his career in the ring.

The fortunate lad is Tommy Higgins, known as "The Mouse," and he impressed Sir Harry by a recent display at Hamilton. He is a brother of Jim Higgins, the former bantam weight champion of Britain, and London's "Belt" holder, the late trophy being won outright within 12 months.

King Albert's 10,000 Mile Flight

Views Wild Life
from Air

Travels As Ordinary Passenger

Thoroughly Enjoys Unique
Experience

A Royal 10,000 miles flight in the great flying-boats and air-liners of Imperial Airways from Europe to the heart of Africa and back has just been completed by the King of the Belgians.

During the flight, King Albert travelled as an ordinary passenger, occupying seats in the saloons of the Great Imperial air-liners and flying-boats in company with the passengers booked on the ordinary scheduled services.

The King's Time-Table.

The speed of long-distance air transport was well illustrated by the time-table of the King's trip. He did not wish his absence from Belgium to last longer than a month, and, at the same time, desired to spend as long as possible in the Belgian Congo. By utilising the Mediterranean and trans-African section of the Imperial Airways' London-Cape Town route, His Majesty reduced his actual transit time to a week in each direction, and even after spending as long as a fortnight on his tour of the Parc Nationale Albert—one of the world's finest game reserves—and

the Kilo Mining District, was able to complete the round trip, Brussels—the Congo-Brussels—in approximately the time which would have been occupied on the single journey by ordinary surface transport.

View of Jungle Life.

During his flight from Cairo to Uganda, along the section which stretches from Wadi Halfa to Malakal, the King obtained some magnificent bird's eye views of wild life. From the window of his aerial saloon he saw at least four herds of elephants which must have numbered nearly 1,000 animals, besides large groups of buffalo, giraffe and other game. The pilot of the air-liner steered his machine so as to pass low over the elephants, thus affording the King the clearest view of them, and on this occasion the animals did not stampede or take fright being apparently quite undisturbed by the passage of the aircraft overhead.

His Majesty's Message.

It is understood that King Albert thoroughly enjoyed his unique experience, and at the conclusion of his 10,000 miles' aerial journey, the following telegram was received by Sir Eric Geddes, Chairman of Imperial Airways, from Major Van Cauberghe, the quarry who accompanied the King:—

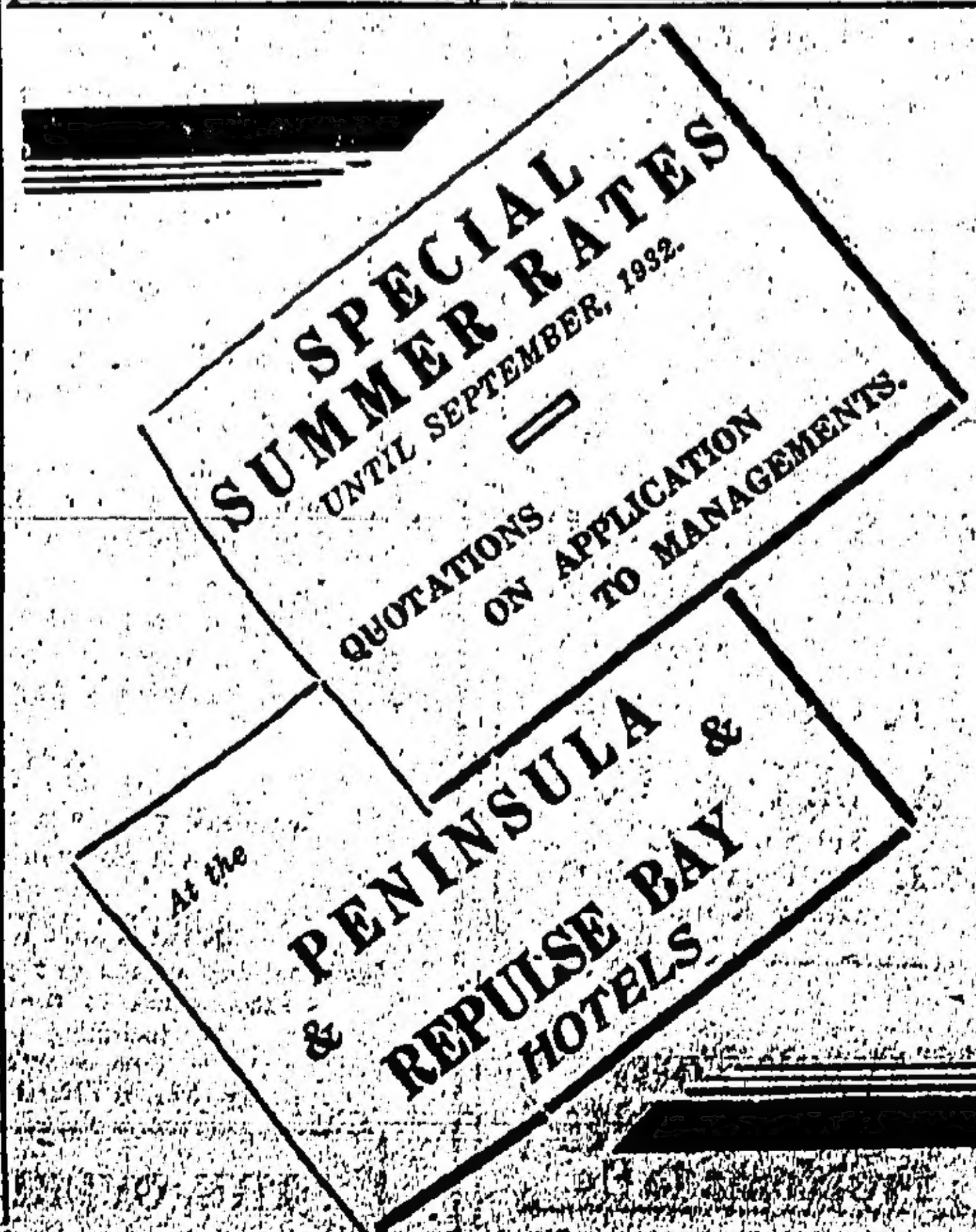
"I am happy to convey to you in the name of His Majesty appreciation of the way in which the long journey was made pleasant thanks to the organisation and attention of imperial airways."

On his return flight His Majesty was joined at Athens by the Queen of the Belgians who accompanied him on the final stages of his journey. King Albert is a frequent traveler by Imperial Airways, using not only the European services but also the Company's Empire services to accelerate his journeys. Nearly a dozen Imperial Airways' pilots have now had the honour of piloting air-liners and flying-boats in which His Majesty has been a passenger.

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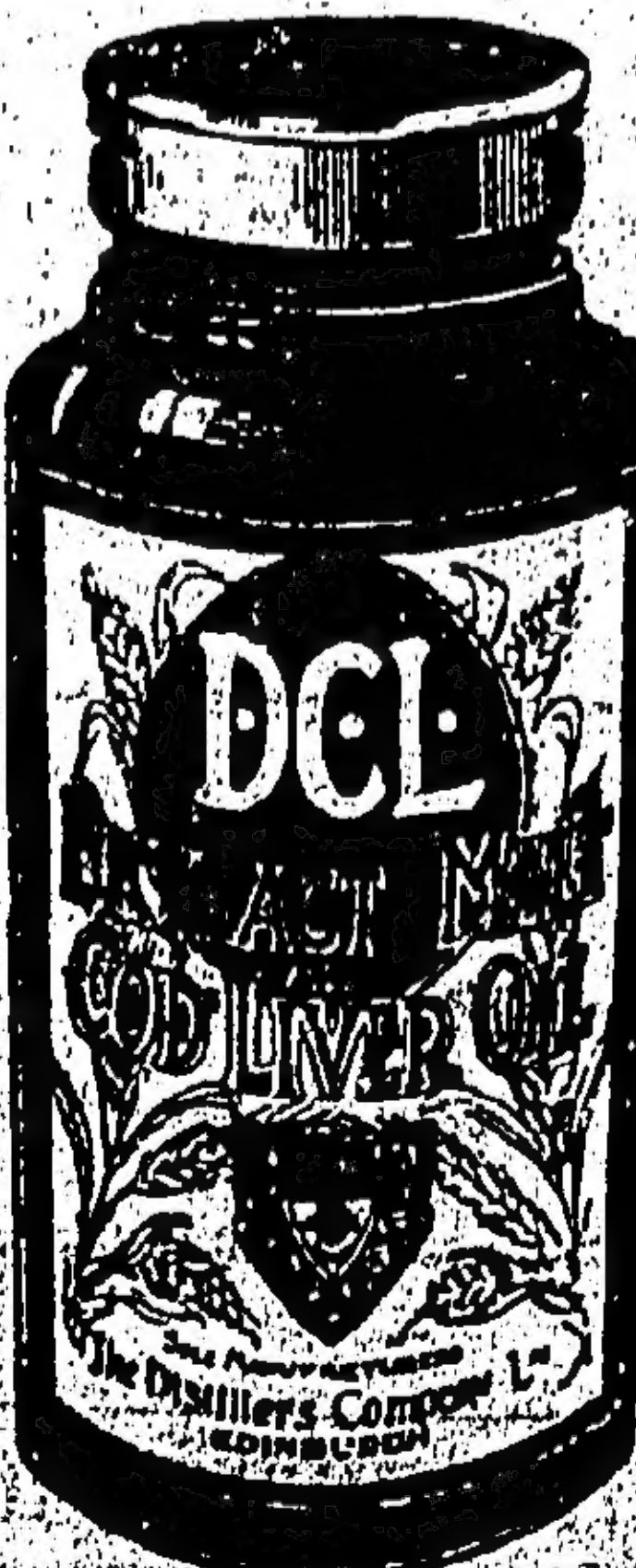
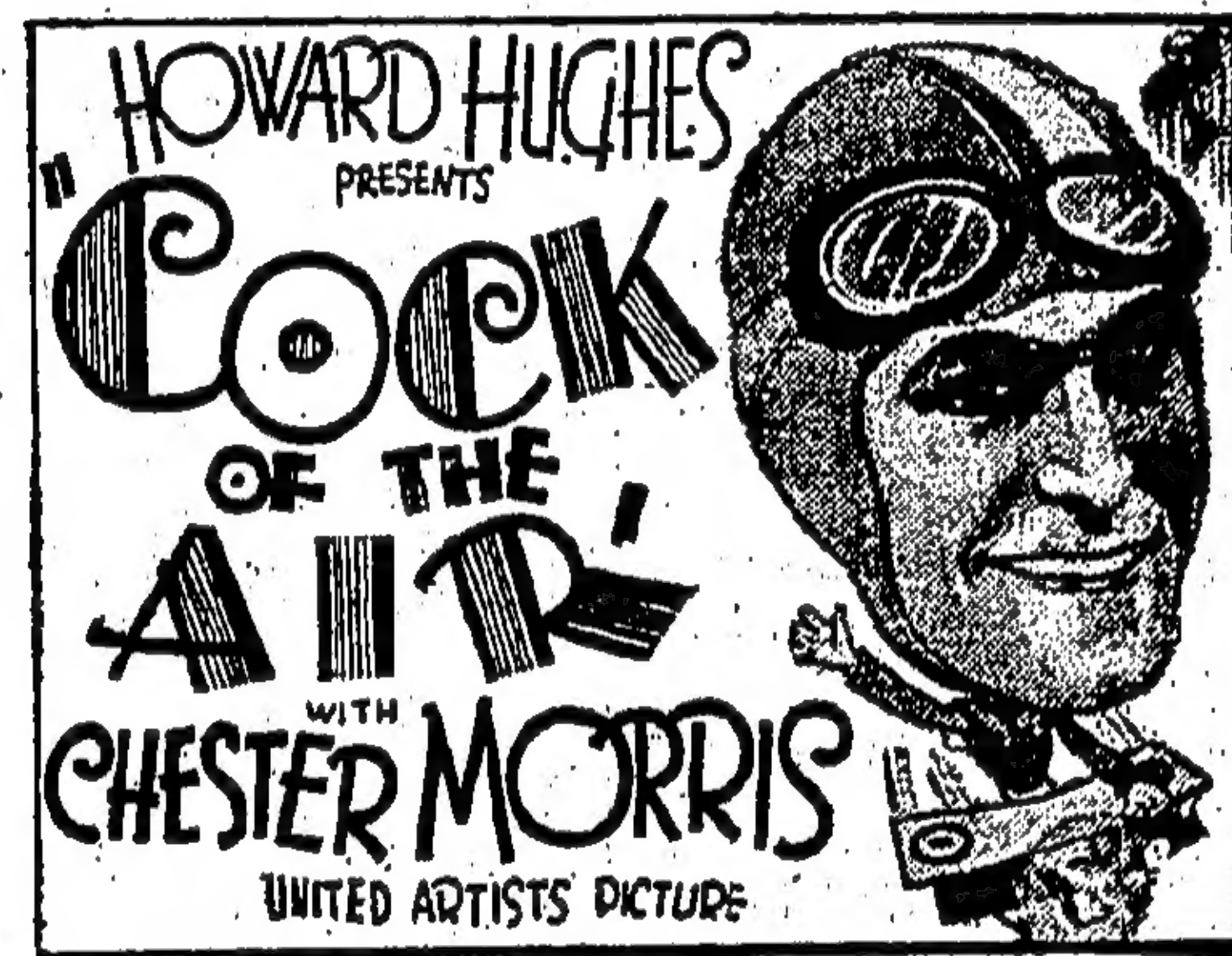
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BOKUYO MARU Thursday, 7th July.

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DAKAR MARU Monday, 13th June.

CAICUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

NAGATO MARU Wednesday, 8th June.

RANGOON MARU Wednesday, 15th June.

PENANG MARU Wednesday, 29th June.

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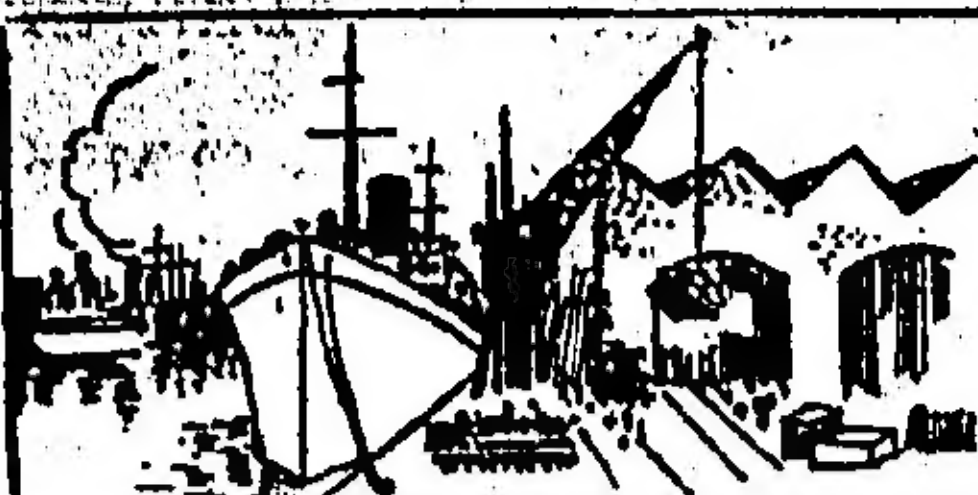
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RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Capetown.	La Plata Maru	Tues., 14th June
MOMBASA, ZANZIBAR, DAR-ES-SALAAM, BEIRA, LOURENCO, MARAUE, DURBAN, PORT ELIZABETH & CAPE TOWN THENCE TO RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Singapore & Colombo.	Africa Maru	Tues., 7th June
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BOMBAY via Singapore, Belawan, Deli & Colombo.	Hague Maru	Fri., 3rd June
CAICUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Argun Maru	Sun., 19th June
KERLUNG via Swatow & Amoy (3 p.m. every Sunday).	Hamburg Maru	Mon., 20th June
JAPAN PORTS via Takao & Keelung.	Canton Maru	Sun., 6th June
TAKAO via Swatow & Amoy (Noon).	Hokan Maru	Sun., 13th June
	Deli Maru	Thurs., 16th June

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HARBOUR OFFICE.

Yesterday's Freight Figure.

The Harbour Office Reports for the 24 hours ended 9 a.m. yesterday gave a free movement of vessels with a high tonnage. Freight was up to the mark, both the inwards and throughs reaching five figures. The total tonnage entered was 40,750.

There were 16 inward registries, of which eight were British and seven of four figures, while of the 11 throughs, seven were British and six of four figures. One vessel arrived in ballast.

Passengers entered during the period included 110 Europeans and 2,287 Asiatic deck, British vessels carrying 2,188 out of the total in all classes.

Nationality	Arr.	HK Kong Dep.	Through Cargo	Tons	Tons
British	11	6,233	4	5,811	
Dutch	1	1	1	928	
German	1	22	1	3,478	
French	1	100	1		
Norwegian	2	4,595	2	2,165	
Japanese	5	11,230	2	3,928	
American	1	1	1		
Danish	1	1	1		
Chinese	1	2	1		
	21	22,151	15	16,303	

MR. T. McCREATH.

Retires After 33 Years' with Indo-China Co.

Having completed over 33 years service as a marine engineer sailing out of Shanghai under the house flag of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Mr. T. McCreath, long a familiar figure in every China coast and river port, has been granted his retirement by the corporation and has returned to his home in Scotland.

As with many other engineers directing the engine room operations on China coastal ships, Mr. McCreath started his maritime career as an apprentice with the Clyde Engine Works at Glasgow on June 18, 1888. On completion of his apprenticeship in 1893, he joined the famous old Anchor Line as the Anchor Line as a junior engineer, later also serving in the City of Rome, the Ethiopia, and the Italia. When the City of Rome, to which he returned later, was laid up in 1897, Mr. McCreath signed up with the Nippon Yusen Kaisha and served in the Orient aboard the Kanagawa Maru and Bingo Maru.

In 1899, however, the lure of Shanghai attracted the young engineer and, leaving the Japanese service, he journeyed to this city where he joined the engineering staff of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company. Since that time, in the intervening 33 years, Mr. McCreath has served aboard a score of different vessels flying the Jardine, Matheson house flag, and has risen from a junior rating to the highest engine room rank. From Hankow on the Yangtze River to Foochow on the coast, Mr. McCreath has won friends among the maritime population and those connected with shipping interests, becoming one of the best known and liked engineers with this line.

When he and Mrs. McCreath left Shanghai several days ago aboard the C.P.R. liner, Empress of Asia for Scotland, via Canada, a crowd of old friends accompanied the couple to the jetty to bid them farewell. Previously, several presentations from his comrades in the service had been made to the departing engineer.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS

The R.M.S. Empress of Russia arrived at Yokohama yesterday at 7 a.m. and on account of delay by bad weather at Yokohama she left this morning at 7. She is due at Hong Kong on June 9 (Thurs.) at 11 a.m., and leaves for Manila on June 9 (Thurs.) at 10 p.m.



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POST OFFICE NOTICE.

GENERAL HOLIDAY.

On Friday, June 3, the General Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and the other Branch Post Offices 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. There will be one collection from the pillar-boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sundays and one delivery of registered correspondence at 9 a.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

INWARD MAILS.

FRIDAY, JUNE 3.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai (Seattle, May 14) & Europe via Siberia (London, May 16) President Cleveland

Japan, Shanghai, and Europe via Siberia (London, May 14) Ranchi

SATURDAY, JUNE 4.
Shanghai and Swatow Kanchow

Calcutta and Straits Ho Sang

Australia and Manila Nankin

SUNDAY, JUNE 5.
Japan Sydney Maru

MANILA President Lincoln

TUESDAY, JUNE 7.
Japan and Shanghai Athes II.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8.
Saigon Andre Lebon

THURSDAY, JUNE 9.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., May 21) Empress of Russia

FRIDAY, JUNE 10.
Japan and Shanghai Hakoziaki Maru

Australia and Manila Changte

Straits Haruna Maru

OUTWARD MAILS.

THURSDAY, JUNE 2.
Swatow Hydrangea 8 p.m.

Samshui and Wuchow Tai Hing 4 p.m.

Saigon New Mathilde 4.30 p.m.

Amoy Santha 5 p.m.

Manila, Rabaul, *Australia and *New Zealand via Brisbane Tando

(Due Brisbane, June 20.)

Parcels June 2, 5 p.m.

Registration June 3, 8.45 a.m.

Letters 9.30 a.m.

Empress of Canada

(Due Vancouver, B.C., June 21

*Europe via Siberia.)

Parcels June 2, 5 p.m.

Registration June 3, 9.15 a.m.

Letters 10 a.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 3.
Hohow, Pakhoi and Haiphong King Yuan 10 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Hai Ching 10 a.m.

Japan and *Canada Ixion 10 a.m.

(Due Victoria, B.C., June 27.)

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles Ranchi

(Due Marseilles, July 1.)

K.P.O. G.P.O.

Parcels June 3, 4.30 p.m.

Registration June 4, 9 a.m.

Letters 10 a.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 4.
Amoy Kaying 3.30 p.m.

Manila President Cleveland 4.30 p.m.

Foochow Yusang 5 p.m.

Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia Gange 5 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Canton Maru 9 a.m.

Bangkok via Swatow Kiangau 9 a.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 6.
Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane Sydney Maru

(Due Victoria, B.C., June 27.)

Parcels June 6, Noon.

Registration 1.45 p.m.

Letters 2.30 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, C. & S. America and *Europe via San Francisco

President Lincoln (Due San Francisco, June 28.)

Parcels June 6, 5 p.m.

Registration 5 p.m.

Letters June 7, 8.30 a.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 7.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa and *S. American

Ports Africa Maru 10.30 a.m.

Batavia, Amoy and Foochow Tjialak 10.30 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Hai Ning 2 p.m.

SHIPYARDS CLOSING

Three more shipyards have been purchased for the purpose of being put under the management of the National Shipbuilding Security Company with a view to curtailing the excessive capacity of the industry.

These establishments have 11 berths and a maximum annual output capacity of 115,000 tons.

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One car manufacturer once demonstrated that the upkeep of his vehicle was less than that of a pair of boots, and that walking was beyond the means of the ordinary individual.

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Few cars nowadays are not used for business as well as pleasure. In any case a car means an economy in time and trouble, it saves railway fares, it provides family transport for holidays, and enables many engagements to be carried out impossible otherwise, or only at considerable expense. Lastly, but not least, the car pays a dividend difficult to calculate in health and happiness.

Buy the Best.

Satisfaction in car ownership depends very much, of course, in the choice of vehicle. There are very few unsatisfactory cars today, but there are types which meet different requirements. The man who wants a reliable family car, will not be suited by a small high efficiency sports model with racy but cramped coachwork. This may seem obvious, but old ladies with sporting nephews have been known to be persuaded that a super-charged Bentley would suit them better than a Rolls-Royce or a Daimler.

Price, of course, is the first consideration with most, but first cost should be considered in conjunction with maintenance. The accommodation required being known, it is still the best advice to buy the best that can be afforded. For the same price now-

adays cars of very different size may be bought, but car value is not a matter of engine capacity or overall dimensions, and that is why there is still as good a market as ever for high-grade cars of moderate size, but of more than average price.

Under £200.

It is sometimes argued that a larger car does not cost appreciably more to run than a smaller, and that the difference is more than compensated for in better accommodation. It is remarkable, however, how running costs grow with size. There is tax and insurance, there is petrol, oil and tyres, there is de-carbonising and service generally. It may only be a few pounds under each heading, but in the end of two or three seasons the total will have become a considerable figure.

This year, whatever the sum available, there is a wider choice than ever. Even if £200 is the limit, there is a wide choice in both four and six-cylinder chassis, and even really fast sports cars are obtainable under this price.

Indeed, this price class offers the most remarkable value of any, and it is no wonder that it provides the great majority of present-day registrations. Really roomy, four-seaters, with engines of ample size for smooth and flexible top-gear running, four-speed gear-boxes, with silent thirds and completely equipped bodies with sliding roofs are offered in wide variety for less than £200. The buyer with even considerably less than this to spare can obtain real comfort, an efficient performance and all the modern luxuries.

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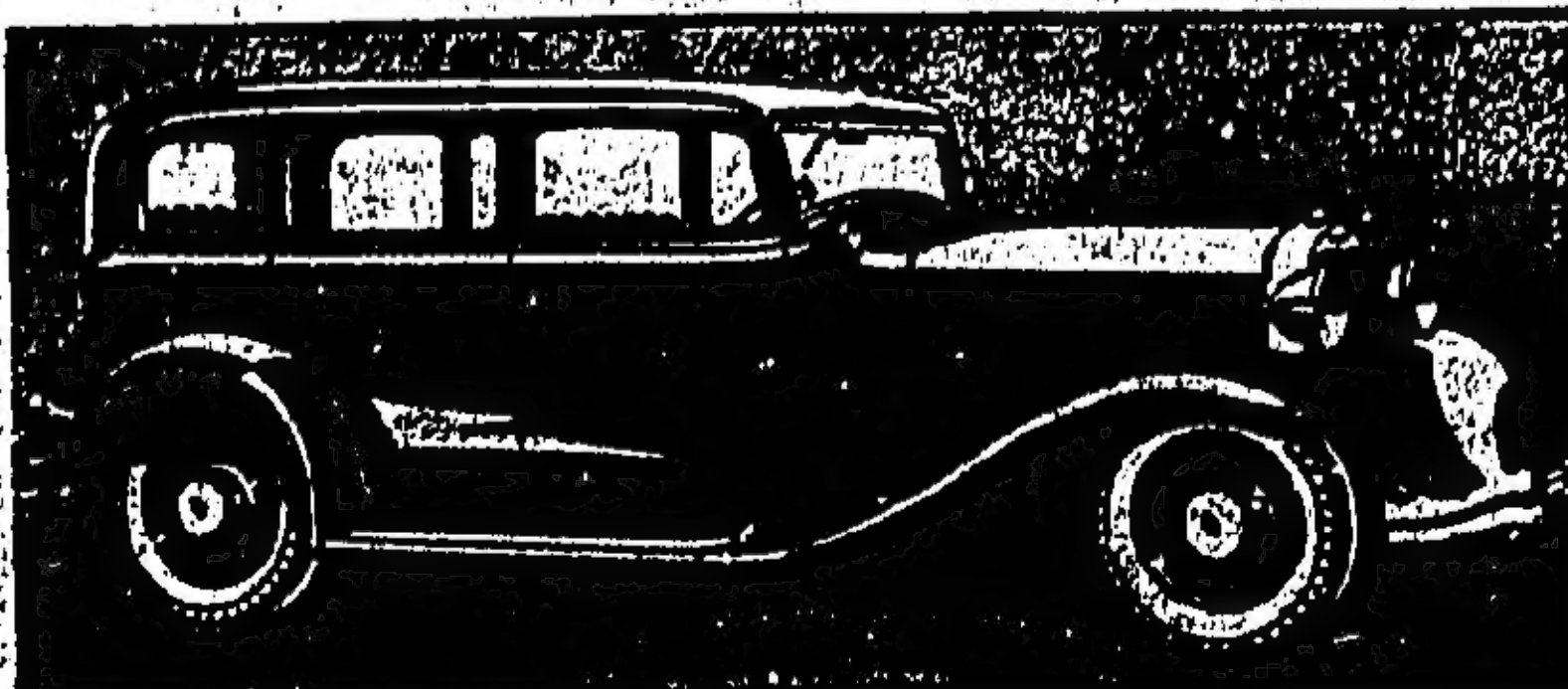
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Torquay.

The one thing that gives zest to any gathering of the human clan is enthusiasm. This applies equally to a meet of hounds or a family tea party. No amount of organisation nor the dearest speeches will give the satisfying swing and smooth running that makes an affair a success if this quality is lacking.

Possibly that is what made the Torquay Rally such a success, for real genuine enthusiasm was the entire atmosphere at the end of the 1,000 mile trek. Certainly the R.A.C. officials had made the machinery of the event faultless, so much so, indeed, that it was quite unobtrusive and taken for granted. In fact, one wonders if any of the participants or visitors could have gathered any real idea of the terrific work and organisation for which the R.A.C. and in particular, the Rally Committee, was responsible.

Briefly, they arranged for nine starting points, each of which would entail a journey of approximately 1,000 miles to reach Torquay.

Competing cars were divided into two classes, according to engine c.c. Class 1, exceeding 1,000 c.c. and Class 2 up to 1,000 c.c. Starts could be made between fairly wide margins of time, but once having started a competitor had to keep up an average of 25 m.p.h. for Class 1, or 22 m.p.h. for Class 2, including all stops.

There were four intermediate controls on each route, but competitors were allowed to check through controls any time that they were open.

As competitors neared Torquay, however, controls were open for shorter periods, so that more accurate running was demanded to maintain the average speed, and at the Terminus it was necessary for competitors to enter the final control Class 1 forty hours after starting, and Class 2, 46 hours, 28 minutes after starting. A margin of 5 minutes early or 10 minutes late was allowed to cover unexpected traffic hold-ups, or badly synchronised watches.

Roadworthiness.

The main idea of the competition was roadworthiness and as such it was perfectly just that marks should be lost at the final control for such items as:—Head, side, or tail lamp missing or failing in light; broken lamp glass; ammeter not registering charge; self-starter not operating; mudguard or stay bent; wheel bent or buckled; mudguard or stay broken or missing; Serious oil, water or fuel leaks; inefficient silencing system; broken road spring; damaged body, broken windows or windscreen; windscreen wiper out of action; audible warning apparatus not operating.

After inspection at the final control, cars were locked up in the Official Depot in readiness for the tests on the following day. After entry into the final control, no adjustments or repairs, no replenishments of any sort were allowed. The idea being that cars should enter the slow running, acceleration, and brake tests just as they finished the 1,000 miles run with no more adjustment, etc., than their drivers saw fit to effect on the road.

High Average.

It is interesting to record that out of 19 Standard cars, 15 entered by private owners, 15 finished to time, qualifying for R.A.C. prizes. Slow running, acceleration, and brake tests were held on the Torquay road for all competitors who completed the 1,000 miles.

NEW MORRIS EIGHT

Acceleration & Steering Praised.

CAR FOR COMFORT

"I like Sir William Morris's Family Eight," writes the "Cape Argus" motoring correspondent. "It reminds me of Sir William himself—decided, alert, and capable of quick decisions. The Eight is a newcomer to the Morris family. But it should quickly make friends in South Africa."

"From the moment I took the car from the showroom of Johnson Motors I felt that the Family Eight would carry all traditions for performance and comfort that have been a feature of previous Morris cars."

"To deal with the body first, here has been a meticulous attention to detail. There is smart but solid workmanship everywhere. Do not run away with the idea that because the car is called the Family Eight it is built on carthorse lines, but just the thing for a man who does not want to travel more than 30 m.p.h. There is nothing like that about this model. Though eminent-ly suitable for the family man who wants low running costs, the model is 'peppy' enough to please the most ardent sportsman."

Sturdy Performance.

"My trip was of necessity short, but the three things that I shall remember longest about the Morris Family Eight are its comfort, acceleration and really splendid steering."

After giving specification details, the writer concludes: "To come back to my trip in the Morris Family Eight, I can definitely say that its performance is sturdy, and it is delightful to drive. The springing, I noticed, was good, and so is its acceleration. Respect for the speed laws prevented me from giving the car a full throttle, but I found in a short burst that 50 m.p.h. is obtained without much effort. At between 30 and 35 the engine seems to run particularly easy."

Three motorists who left London six months ago have driven in small cars across the Sahara, and when they arrived at Nairobi they had only a cupful of petrol and three gallons of water between them.

The Automobile Association announces that in future all A.A. roadside telephone boxes will be equipped with emergency first-aid outfits, which will be available to members at any hour of the day or night.

A suggestion has been made to the Ministry of Transport for the provision of coloured signposts and milestones, as in France.

Eliminating Noise in Automobiles

Promises for the Future

GREATER ECONOMY

LIGHTER AND MORE SILENT ENGINES.

This is the age of speed. Every other day we hear that some record in air, on sea, or on land has been broken. We now take the hum of the motor-car as a matter of course, although the drone of an aeroplane overhead still attracts some attention.

Everybody realises what an improvement has been made in the elimination of noise, but it is not so obvious how it has been made, nor yet how further progress will be made. Three or four thousand pounds seems to most people an enormous pressure, yet the pressure on the crankshaft of a bus is of this order, due to centrifugal force alone, and when we realise that this pressure is repeated several thousand times a minute it becomes a cause for wonder that a motor-car can get along with so little noise, and that it is so much quieter to-day than it was only a few years ago.

Value of Experience.

It is often useful, when trying to trace the trend of future improvements, to look back and visualise the direction which improvements have followed in the past. It is not easy to realise the position of engineering development when James Watt invented the steam engine, and that in fact the science of mechanical engineering, as we know it to-day was then practically nonexistent. To make a steam-engine without machine-tools was a great achievement, and it was not until this steam engine gave the engineer a source of power that any serious development in machine-tools could be made. The early machine-tools were very crude, and even the tools which were in use thirty or forty years ago were very different from the extremely accurate machines of to-day. With the early machinery slightly more accurate machines were laboriously constructed. With these, again, better machines were made until the machine-tools of to-day can produce articles in which an error of one-thousandth of an inch has to be reckoned with.

Gears Noisy.

It was only when accuracy of this order was attained that inter-changeability, in the modern sense, became a possibility, making it possible to produce high-class work at a reasonable

cost. It is the fact, though it sounds paradoxical, that the most accurate work which can be done is often now the cheapest. This can be illustrated in the construction of a motor-car gearbox. Modern gears are usually finished by grinding to shape on a machine which may give an accuracy of one-quarter of a thousandth of an inch. This, of course, is an expensive process in itself, but, when the gearboxes are assembled, probably over 90 per cent. of them will run with a satisfactory absence of noise, necessitating no further labour. On the other hand, before gears were made with this degree of accuracy, a considerable amount of handwork had to be put on every gearbox, which often entailed taking it to pieces two or three times, increasing the cost.

The process is still going on. These very accurate grinding-machines are producing still more accurate machine-tools, and these machines, in their turn, will produce more accurately fitted parts without increasing the cost. These parts when assembled will fit more perfectly, and so the complete motor-car will run more sweetly and with much less noise.

Red-hot Valves.

The next question is, How long will the motor-car retain this quietness? The more accurately the parts have been fitted the more slowly they will wear begin to take place. Beyond this, however, fundamental alterations have been made in construction, such as the use of ball-bearings in place of plain bearings, but, above all, the materials have been improved beyond all knowledge, and are still being improved.

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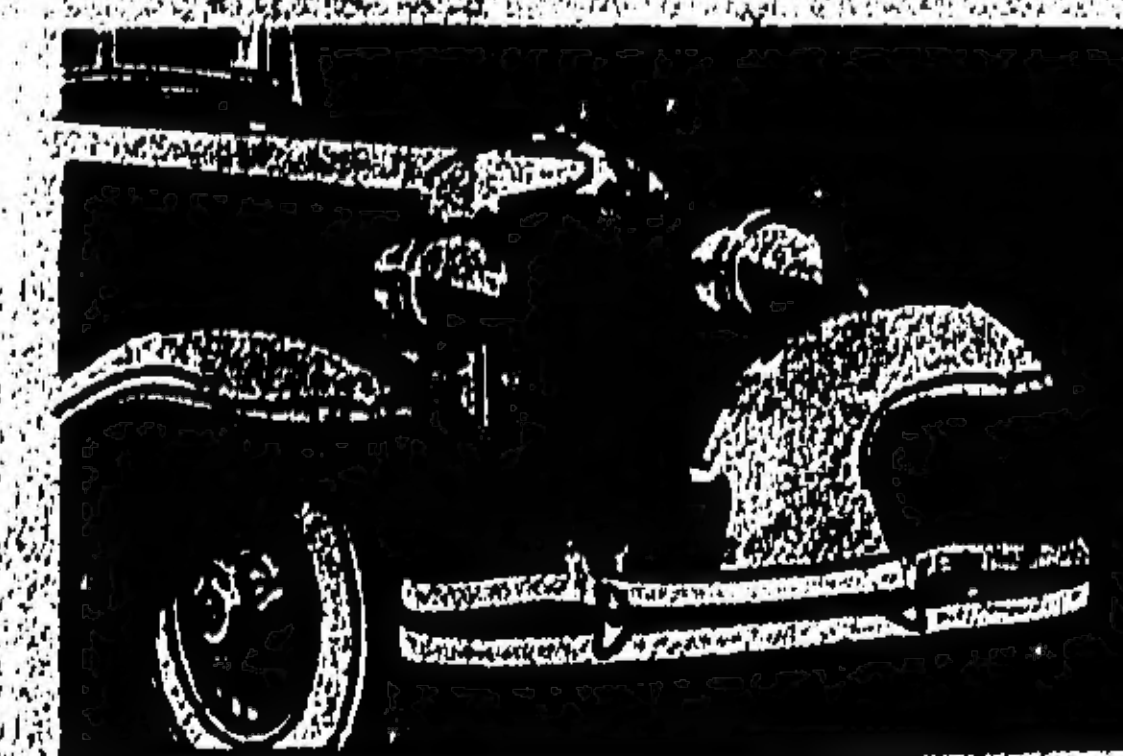
(Continued from previous Column.) For instance, is it not remarkable that a valve can run satisfactorily and keep gas-tight when it is red hot? With a further improvement in materials a higher temperature will be admissible inside the engine, and thus a greater economy will be obtained, which means that it will be possible to use a smaller engine. This will further lighten the whole machine and give a better performance, while being smaller, and corresponding improvements having been made elsewhere, it will make less noise.

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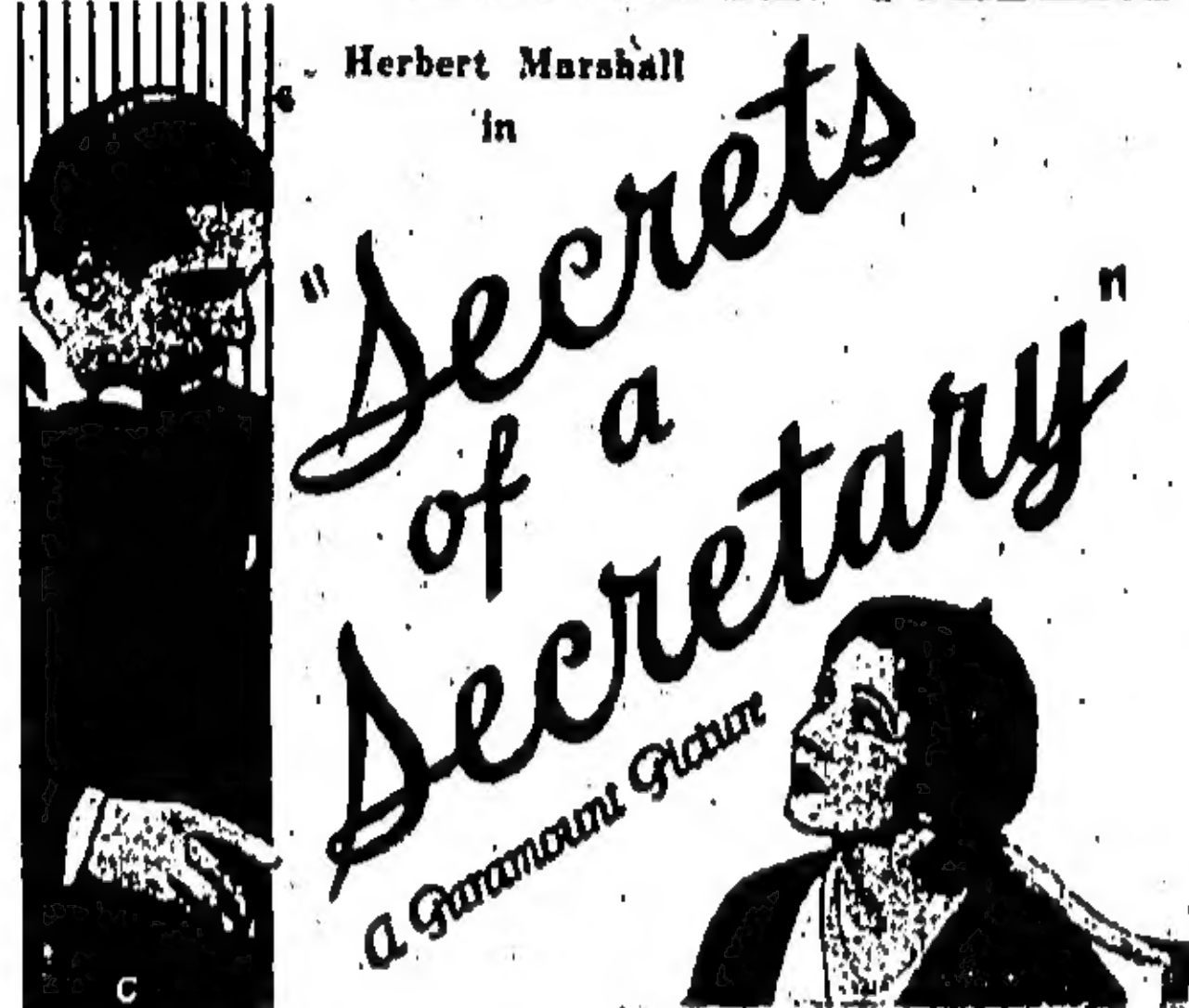
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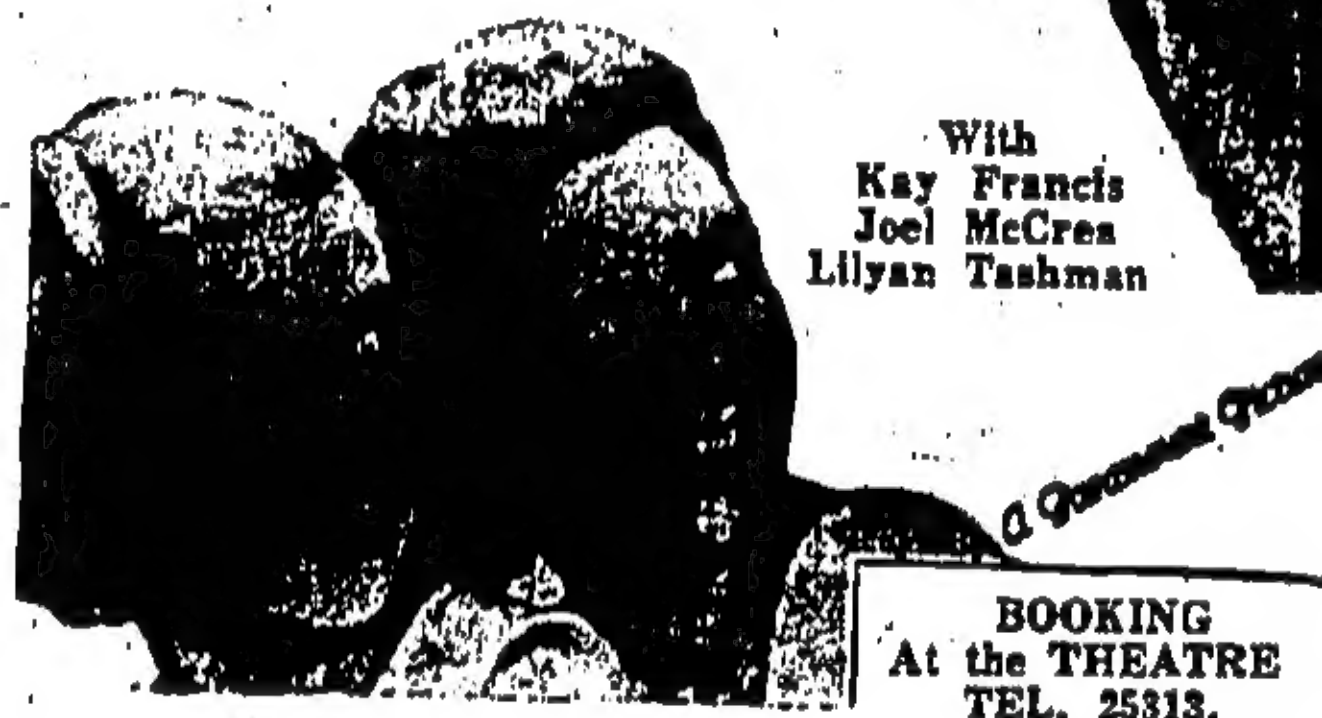
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DISPUTE OVER TWO WILLS

Son and Widow Parties to Court Action.

Two wills, written on the same day and both unsigned, one leaving the estate to the widow, and the other leaving it to the eldest son, featured the case before Sir Joseph H. Kemp in the Supreme Court to-day.

The deceased, Wong Tsz-ng, merchant, died in 1921, leaving an estate valued at \$11,000. According to evidence given in Court to-day there had been constant dispute between the widow and son as to the disposition of the property.

The widow, who is the plaintiff in the action, produced a will leaving the estate to her. The son produced a will which left everything to him.

Evidence heard to-day dealt with efforts made by village elders to bring about a settlement between the disputing parties.

The widow is asking for probate of her will and letters of administration.

THE ECONOMIC CONFERENCE

Still in Preliminary Stages.

London, Yesterday. Negotiations for the International Economic Conference to consider the stabilisation of commodity prices have not yet advanced beyond the preliminary stage, Sir John Simon announced in the House of Commons to-day. He added that conversations occurred during the last few days between the British and American Governments, and the other Governments attending the Lausanne Conference would be consulted without delay. — Reuter.

RUSSIAN STUDENT'S ESCAPE

Hides in Hollow Log.

Warsaw, May 4. Sealed in a hollow log, a Russian student has crossed the frontier into Poland after escaping from the Polesk prison.

After two attempts to cross the frontier had been frustrated by Soviet guards, the student decided to float down the river Dvina to Polish territory.

He hollowed out a log, drilled a few holes for ventilation, climbed in, and managed to roll the log down to the river. Soviet fishermen, however, caught the log and tied it to the shore. During the night the student cut his "ship" loose.

Finally, the log was washed ashore on Polish territory, and peasants dragged the student out, terribly cramped, and only half-conscious—but free.

DISTURBANCE AT ABERDEEN DAM

Timely Action of Mr. J. A. Kennard.

DEFENDANTS BOUND OVER

"But for the timely intervention of Mr. J. A. Kennard, an averser, and Lau Kan, a foreman, both of the Public Works Department, there might have been very serious results," said Sergeant Cunningham, of Aberdeen Police Station in the Central Police Court this morning, when he charged Ng On, a foreman, Leung Shing, a carpenter, Li Muk and Kwan Mui, both earth coolies, with disorderly conduct at the Aberdeen Lower Dam.

It was stated that the foreman was the instigator of the trouble, as he had armed himself with a bamboo pole, and called his clan of coolies, armed with shovels and pick-axes, to join him.

The trouble began yesterday morning when the carpenter who was making wooden squares for concrete, was struck on the right shoulder by a stone which fell from a section above where the earth coolies were at work digging.

The carpenter swore and a row ensued. Mr. Kennard intervened, with Lau Kan, when the how was at fever pitch. Mr. Kennard disarmed the second defendant, and succeeded in quelling the crowd. The Police were sent for and the four defendants were arrested.

After evidence had been heard, his Worship remarked it seemed to be a case where there was plenty of talk without really doing anything in the way of fighting. As there was no evidence against the fourth defendant, Kwan Mui, he would discharge him.

His Worship bound the foreman over in a bond for \$100, and the carpenter and earth coolies, (Li Muk) in a bond of \$50 each, all to keep the peace for a period of one year.

RESIGNATION OF MR. LIN-SEN

Rumoured Forthcoming at Next Meeting.

Nanking, Yesterday. According to the "Nanking Evening News," Mr. Lin-sen is planning to resign, and his resignation is expected to be brought up at the forthcoming plenary session of the Central Executive Council of the Kuomintang. — Reuter.

ATTACKED BY MONKEY

Son of Police Officer Bitten

Whilst passing the house of Mr. M. A. Rajasine, at 10 Middle Road, in company with his mother, Basil Smith, the son of Sub-Inspector H. W. Smith, of Kowloon City Police Station, was attacked by a monkey and received scratches to his face.

The monkey which is owned by Mr. Rajasine and which suddenly sprang out, has been sent to Ma Tau Kok for observation.

BALANCING THE U.S. BUDGET

President's Suggestion Accepted.

Washington, Yesterday. The Senate passed the Revenue Bill by 72 votes to 11.

The Senate after passing the Revenue Bill also reported favourably on the Economy Bill designed to reduce Government expenditure by \$238,000,000.

Senate Passes Sales Tax. The last major contest of the Senate debate on the Revenue Bill was on the Sales Tax, which was finally passed as suggested by Mr. Hoover.

Thus the budget will be balanced. — Reuter's American Service.

CONFERENCE AT OTTAWA

Discussion of Agenda.

London, Yesterday. Answering questions regarding the Ottawa Conference, the Dominions Secretary, Mr. J. H. Thomas, said the agenda was now under discussion between the Governments concerned.

He did not propose including civil aviation in the agenda, as that subject was very fully discussed at the Imperial Conference two years ago, but various aspects of it would be raised with the individual Governments represented. — British Wireless Service.

SOCIALIST OFFER REJECTED

Paris, Yesterday. M. Herriot has rejected the Socialist offer of co-operation so that the way is now clear for the formation of a completely Radical Ministry. — Reuter.

PLEA FOR LENIENCY!

Prisoner's Four Previous Convictions.

A Hong Kong born Chinese, with four previous convictions for stealing, was given six months' hard labour by Mr. Wynne-Jones and ordered to be kept under Police supervision for two years, in the Central Police Court this morning. Defendant pleaded for leniency.

His Worship remarked: "With four previous convictions and you ask for leniency?" Defendant pleaded guilty to a charge of the theft of \$7 from the person of a compatriot.

CANADIAN TRADE NEWS

Ottawa, May 12. United States investments in Canada increased by 26,000,000 dollars in 1931, the total at the end of the year being 2,705,000,000 dollars. Canadian investors hold 74 per cent. of Canadian mining stocks representing an invested value of \$71,600,000 dollars.

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